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H.K.'S OLDEST INHABITANT OFF ON JOURNEY OF ADVENTURE!

Hong Kong lost its Old Inhabitant during the week-end.

The man for whom the honour is claimed is an old soldier, Haidar Khan, whose passport verifies his claim to be 107 years of age, and a pensioner from the Indian army.

Haidar Khan has been residing in the Colony for seven or eight years and maintained himself by keeping a small shop for the sale of tobacco in Landale Street.

But the urge to return to his native Peshawar at last proved too strong for his ties in Hong Kong, and he left unaccompanied on Friday to make the long journey to India, a journey likely to be much more arduous and exciting than the average trip, for Haidar Khan dislikes the sea and does not intend to use that method of conveyance beyond Saigon.

ACROSS COUNTRY

At 107 years of age, he proposes to make a cross-country journey to Peshawar, using railways where possible and other means of transport between trains. It involves a trip across Indo-China, through the jungles of Siam and Burma, and then across India via Assam.

ITALIAN TORPEDO ACCIDENT

Rome, To-day.

Two Italian sailors were killed on Saturday during shooting practice in the Gulf of Naples when a torpedo, piercing a safety net, struck the torpedo-boat Dezza.

The torpedo-boat suffered minor damage but was able to return to harbour under its own power. — Trans-Ocean.

ITALIAN GENERAL WOUNDED

Rome, To-day.

General Bitossi, commander of the Italian legionary division, was wounded in the leg by a machine gun bullet during the advance on Gecina. — Trans-Ocean.

Chungking, To-day.

It has now been established that over a thousand civilians were killed and injured in the city of Kweiyang, the capital of Kweichow Province, during the orgy of frightfulness by Japanese airmen during the week-end, when the total of their civilian victims in half-a-dozen towns exceed 2,500, including the sack of Wanh sien.

Two squadrons descended on Kweiyang, one swiftly following upon the other, and the centre of the city was virtual devastated in a deluge of bombs, pitilessly rained over the residential and business areas for half an hour.

Huge high explosive bombs which burst with a shattering roar, killing scores and bringing Kweiyang's old buildings crashing, were interspersed with incendiary bombs which set fires blazing in a dozen different spots.

The fire brigade fought valiantly after the departure of the raiders, but they were helpless in the face of the many raging areas and the glow of half a

dozen blazes was still lighting up the city last night.

One huge high explosive bomb crashed clean through a dug-out in which nearly a hundred people were covering killing the majority instantly.

GHASTLY SCENES

Ghastly spectacles were witnessed when the city's rescue corps, not yet efficiently organised, fought their way into burning and devastated streets to the rescue of the injured, whose number is estimated as at least 600.

It is believed that between 400 and 500 were killed, but many of the corpses have been charred beyond recognition, or are buried beneath masses of debris. — Our Own Correspondent.

PEIPING TAKES OVER TOKYO EMBASSY

Tokyo, To-day.

The Chinese Embassy has been taken over by the Peiping Provisional Government. The object of occupying the building is not disclosed. — Our Own Correspondent.

"ADA" FOUND IN JAPANESE HANDS IN AMOY

Shanghai, To-day.

The "Ada" a small coastal ship owned by a Hungarian, Paul Komor, of Shanghai, which was seized by the Japanese on Saturday, is now lying in harbour off Amoy.

The Netherlands Consul in Amoy is conducting negotiations for its release.

Other foreign ships are also in the harbour after having been seized by the Japanese, according to a Briton who has just returned here from Amoy. — Reuter.

REPUBLICAN ARMY GRANTED SANCTUARY

Perpignan, To-day.

At a conference held in Le Perthus between the French military authorities and representatives of the Republican army, it was decided that the militiamen would be allowed to cross the French frontier in close formation this morning at 8 o'clock.

The officers had desired that the troops be given permission to remain some time in France and then to proceed by sea to Valencia in order to continue fighting.

This was flatly refused by the French who included General Fagalta and M. Jules Henry, the French Ambassador. All militiamen will be disarmed and brought into the French concentration camp at Argeles sur Mer or Boulou.

Before the militiamen enter France this morning, about 15,000 civilian refugees from La Jonquera and Fluvià will cross the frontier.

Yesterday afternoon, 24 planes landed at Salvaza airport near Cardassone, where they were interned by the French authorities. Other planes are supposed to have flown to Valencia. — Trans-Ocean.

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How Defence Committee Works

Power Behind War Machine

An authoritative account of the machinery of the Committee of Imperial Defence was unfolded by its secretary, Major-Gen. H. L. Ismay, at the Royal United Service Institution. Sir Thomas Inskip, Minister for the Co-ordination of Defence, presided.

It is, in fact, the first time that the veil has been lifted which has covered this all-important organ of State during the 34 years of its life.

Extreme discretion was naturally observed by Gen. Ismay and there were no revelations.

It must have been, however, to the general public an extremely interesting account of the gradual growth of this extraordinary body that has entwined its tentacles into every Department of State and knitted them all together into one vast defence staff without disturbing the constitutional fabric in any way.

CABINET DECIDES

The lecturer described how it owed its origin to the Esher Committee and to the need of the "co-ordination," that magic word, of defence problems. The principles proved sound.

It has no executive authority; it only co-ordinates and advises. It is the Cabinet that decides; though, in fact, the departments in most cases act on the recommendations of the C.I.D., composed as it is of the most prominent members of the Cabinet. Constitutionally, however, the Cabinet is the executive.

We were told a fascinating story of the ramifications of the war preparations, chiefly by means of sub-committees, which took place prior to 1914, ensuring that all authorities should work to a programme, that the necessary legislation should be ready and that the Dominions should be kept informed.

During the war the War Council, then the War Committee, and finally the War Cabinet were evolved, but the functions of the C.I.D. remained. The lecturer remarked that there was good reason to believe that none of the other belligerents evolved anything better, quoting Gen. Ludendorff's complaints about his own Government.

FUTURE WAR PROBLEM

We were then given a brief glimpse of the Higher Direction of a future war, the crux being to devise a system which will combine rapid and effective executive action with the maintenance of Cabinet control.

Two new factors have arisen; first, the air, and, secondly, the fact that the whole resources of the nation will in future be mobilised. Evolution has proceeded and a Chiefs of Staff Sub-Committee was created, and then in 1936 a Minister for the Co-ordination of Defence.

Gen. Ismay then proceeded to defend and justify the system of working by committees and sub-committees as the means of assembling the team most appropriate to each case.

He proceeded to describe in some detail the working of five main groups of sub-committees:

The strategy and planning; The organisation for war, including civil defence, home defence, censorship and war emergency legislation;

The man-power group; The supply group, including munitions, food and oil; and

The miscellaneous group, including research and experiment. There were 409 meetings of the C.I.D. itself and its sub-committees, attended by 876 persons, during the last 12 months.

MORE DRASTIC STEPS

Gen. Ismay, in his final remarks, claimed that the C.I.D. was a flexible and progressive organism, which could be adapted to meet any future demands.

The story, indeed, is one of a remarkable development of machinery which is characteristic of the British genius for compromise and adaptability, for evolution rather than revolution.

It has been guided throughout its existence by that great man, Sir Maurice Hankey, and a supremely competent staff. It is probably the extreme limit in organisation and co-ordination to which we can go without disturbing existing constitutional checks and traditions.

But there are some who think that yet more drastic steps must be taken in unity of command and control if we are not to be outdistanced in swiftness of execution by the totalitarian States.

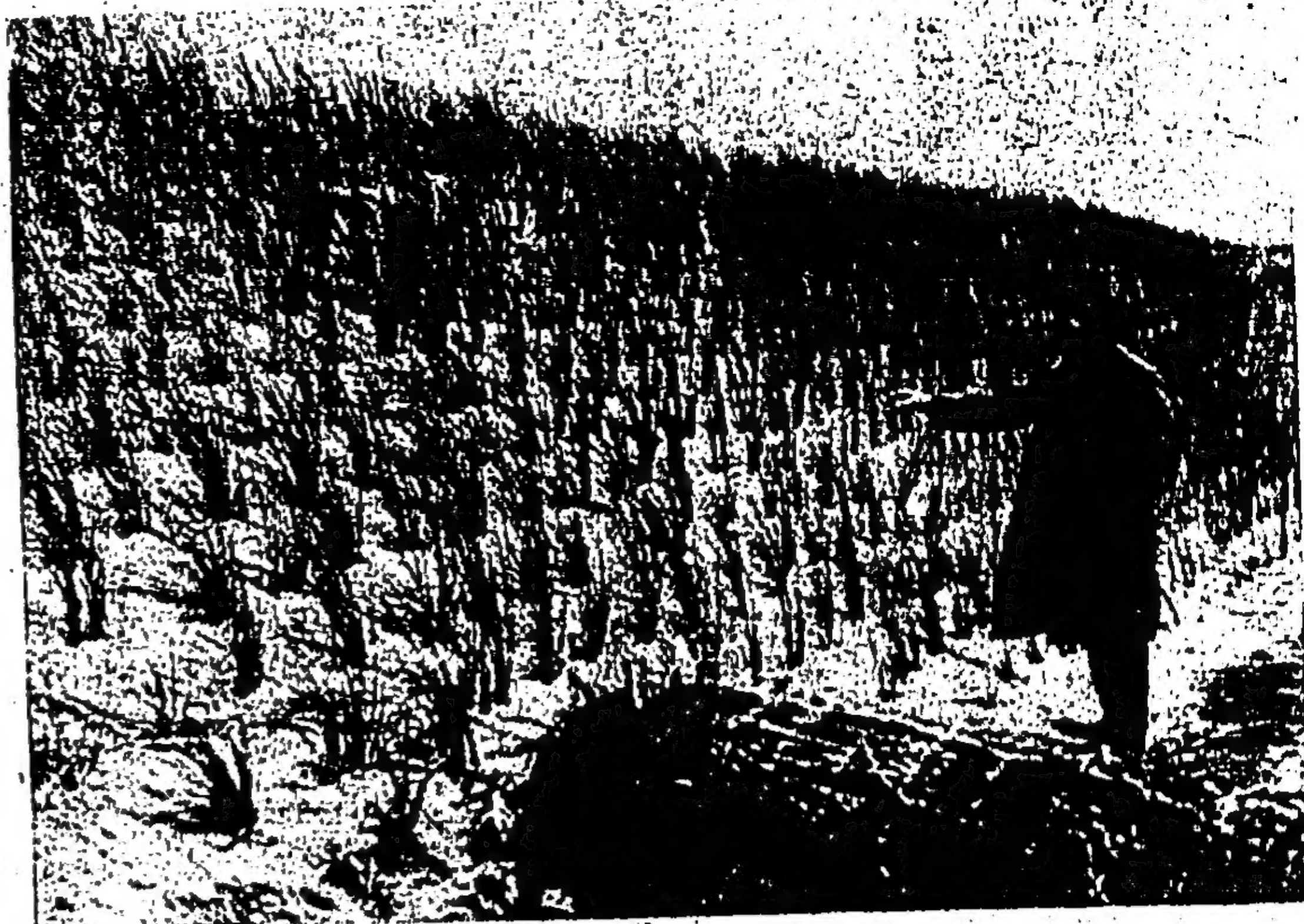
SWEDEN TO HAVE 2 NEW BATTLESHIPS

The King of Sweden recently opened the 1939 session of the Riksdag — the Swedish Parliament — with the traditional ceremony.

In his speech from the Throne, the King said that a naval armaments agreement between the northern countries and Great Britain would be placed before the Riksdag for ratification, as well as proposals for the amendment of the League Covenant, whereby the Covenant would be separated from the peace treaties.

The Swedish Budget estimates expenditure for 1939-40 at £82,133,150, an increase of £5,705,900 compared with the current year.

The national defence estimate is \$11,950,000, as compared with \$9,000,000 for 1938. Two new battleships are contemplated, to cost about \$1,850,000 each, as well as two destroyers and two submarines.



Norfolk has its own "Magenot Line" in the form of sea defence work at Horsey, scene of the devastating flood last February. Work commenced on April 8th and has not ceased since. A vast concrete wall is being constructed and in four years time it is anticipated that a wall containing 50,000 tons of concrete and 4,000 tons of steel will give permanent protection to eight miles of coast between Winterton and Happisburgh. Behind the wall Marram grass is being planted on sandhills to hold sand together.

CVETKOVITCH TO FORM CABINET IN YUGO-SLAVIA

MAGINOT LINE FOR UNITED STATES

Belgrade, To-day.

The crisis caused by resignation of the Stoyadinovitch Cabinet has found rapid solution by appointment of M. Cvetkovitch, who was Minister of Social Politics and Public Health in the late cabinet and one of closest collaborators of Stoyadinovitch as Prime Minister.

Cvetkovitch was one of the five Ministers whose resignation, motivated by dissatisfaction with the policy of Stoyadinovitch towards Croats, precipitated the crisis.

The new Premier is regarded as an advocate of the policy of conciliation and the intention is attributed to him of wishing to persuade the Croat leader, Matschek to cooperate actively with the government.

Political circles hope that the new Cabinet will have the support of the opposition group headed by Matschek, who recently stressed his readiness to come to an understanding with any Yugoslav Cabinet, under certain conditions, with the exception of the Stoyadinovitch cabinet.

Demonstrations took place on Saturday evening before the Skopshtina. — Trans-Ocean.

Guantanamo, Jan. 28.

According to well-informed circles here, the Panama Canal is to be made practically invulnerable to any attack from Europe.

These circles revealed that competent quarters in the United States were studying a plan for a defence line passing through Cuba, Haiti, Puerto Rico, and San Domingo. This would be a sort of naval "Magenot Line" of the American continent. The fortification of the Eastern section of Culebra Island and the Western part of Puerto Rico would form an invincible defence line for the Panama Canal.

"PROBLEM XX"

It is learned that an increase in the number of air bases in the Caribbean Sea is also contemplated.

The United States Government is also studying the fortification of the Fraile Heights near Cape Maisi where long-range guns would be able to prevent passage through the Los Ventos detroit separating Cuba and Haiti.

Similarly, the United States is seeking to obtain a revision of the agreement with Cuba regarding the Guantanamo naval base, in view of strengthening certain fortifications.

It is also learned that the main object of "Problem XX" which is the theme of the forthcoming U.S. Naval manoeuvres is to test the strength of the present defence centres in the Caribbean. — Havas.

Halifax Speech Plaudits

London, Yesterday.

The speech of Lord Halifax, in particular what he had to say about Anglo-German trade relations, is welcomed by the press this morning.

Both Conservative morning papers, "The Times" and "Daily Telegraph" devote their leading articles to Lord Halifax's expression of the desire of England for termination of the trade war with Germany; and the hope expressed by Lord Halifax that productive co-operation between Germany

and England should be established.

"The Times" refers to that part of Hitler's last speech dealing with foreign criticism of German trade and economic policy.

"The Times" says that if Germany wants to bring about clarification of Anglo-German trade relations she must change her methods. — Trans-Ocean.

INCENDIARY FIRES IN FOUR COVENTRY STORES

I.R.A. Terrorism Continues

London, To-day.

Incendiary bombs are believed to have caused outbreaks of fire in four Coventry stores last night. In each case, early discovery prevented serious damage. The fires occurred within a short space of time and each case showed the action of an incendiary device which had been employed.

Following the discovery of the Ulster document, arms have been issued to members of the Special Branch at Scotland Yard.

Vigilance on certain State officials and Police officials has increased following the discovery of the document. — Reuter.

LIVERPOOL FEARS

London, To-day.

Liverpool police fear that the bomb attempt on Liverpool Prison will be a signal for trouble among the prisoners. Scotland Yard, therefore, last evening sent special officers to Liverpool with orders to clear up the case immediately. Simultaneously the police have increased precautionary measures. — Trans-Ocean.

PALACES AND BANK OF ENGLAND THREATENED

London, To-day.

Belfast police have found a document disclosing the plans of Irish Nationalists for bomb outrages in England, it is reported the "Evening Standard."

According to this document, Buckingham Palace, Windsor Castle and the Bank of England building are to be blown up.

Consequently, strong police guards were placed in the threatened buildings.

Police searching a house in Stoke Newington, found a list

BRITONS KILLED IN AIR RAID ON CARTAGENA

London, To-day.

Forty were killed, including two British sailors, according to reports, when Nationalist planes bombed Cartagena, the last important harbour remaining in the hands of the Republican Government. — Trans-Ocean.

HUNGARIAN LEGATION LEAVES MOSCOW

Moscow, To-day.

The entire staff of the Hungarian Legation in Moscow left here yesterday after having the intimation from the Soviet government that the Soviet Russian Legation in Budapest had been closed because Hungary joined the Anti-Comintern Pact. — Trans-Ocean.

containing the names of all Scotland Yard officers in charge of investigating the bomb outrages, which allows the assumption that the terrorists have "spies" amongst the police. — Trans-Ocean.

NEW DRUG SAVES 200 PEOPLE WITH PNEUMONIA

LONDON, JANUARY 20.

A NEW BRITISH DRUG M & B 693, HAS CUT THE MORTALITY RATE OF PNEUMONIA BY 25 PER CENT. THIS WINTER.

In London the drug saved the lives of nearly 200 people in December alone — one of the worst pneumonia months.

It is only this winter that the drug has come into routine use in all London hospitals.

The drug was put on clinical tests before it was issued generally. Out of 100 cases treated with it only eight died. In cases not treated with it twenty-seven out of 100 died.

Doctors reported a "dramatic success" but before the drug was used generally it was tried out on cases of lobar pneumonia—sudden and often fatal.

SPEEDY RECOVERY

The doctors said: "The results leave no doubt in our minds that if the drug is used within the fourth day it will cut short the infective process and bring about a speedy recovery."

By November practically every hospital was using it. A cure of fifty tablets costs 15s. and they replace in general use expensive

serums that often cost \$30 a treatment.

By December the drug was used in every London hospital. The mortality returns for pneumonia began to tell the story. Every week there was a gradual drop.

One of the outstanding successes of the drug is no people aged more than sixty. They are often frail and weak and can offer little resistance to the disease. The mortality rate in their class is high.

Early clinical tests were made and out of five treated only one died. Out of four cases not treated three died.

40 CHILDREN

The drug was tried on forty children. Only two died. It is now being used all over the world, and as the doctors grow more familiar with it the percentage of successes increases.

January returns for pneumonia cases are the heaviest for some years, yet the mortality figures for the first few days are still dropping.

The drug was found by Dagenham (Essex) chemists. The initials M & B are the initials of the firm making the drug; the number 693 is the chemists' registering number.

It is under strict supervision and is issued only on a doctor's prescription.

The small tablets are crushed and taken in milk, and the doctors' experimental report said: "They will not produce nausea." The dose is taken every four hours, and produces an immediate fall in temperature.

The correct name of the drug is 2-(p-aminobenzenesulpho-
namido) pyridine.

NEW REICHSBANK PRACTICE

Berlin, To-day.

The Reichsbank has abandoned its practice of buying bills of exchange and cheques issued in foreign currencies exclusively at Reichsbank discount rates and will in future purchase them at the discount rate in the country in whose currency they are issued.

It will also refrain from deducting the fee on bills and cheques. — Reuter.

FRENCH MOVE TO REVIVE CHANNEL TUNNEL SCHEME

The urgent need, for military and economic reasons, of the construction of a Channel tunnel is brought once more to the attention of the French Government in a resolution by M. Marcel Boucher, deputy for the Vosges Department.

It has been submitted to the Chamber Foreign Affairs Commission for consideration.

The resolution calls on the French Government to renew conversations with the British Government with a view to a speedy decision on the question.

M. Boucher states in his report: "Just as in 1914, Great Britain and France suddenly realised in September last, in face of common peril, how sadly lacking was the Channel tunnel."

"Between two nations whose very existence faces the same risks a rapid and safe communication link is of capital importance and of the utmost urgency."

M. Boucher quotes the words of Marshal Foch that if the Channel tunnel had existed in 1914 the World War might have been avoided.

He urges on economic grounds that the tunnel would contribute to the equilibrium of trade exchanges, of which the world to-day is sadly in need.

SPITFIRE TO BE IMPROVED

The Air Ministry contemplates fitting all new Spitfire fighters, and possibly Hurricane fighters as well, with variable-pitch airscrews.

The pitch of the blade of this type of aircrew can be altered by the pilot to assist the machine to rise rapidly from the ground, and can then be changed in the air to the correct pitch for normal flight.

Both the Spitfire and the Hurricane are remarkably easy to fly and to land, and, when once in the air, climb very rapidly. Nevertheless it is apparent that, when fitted with their present fixedpitch wooden airscrews, they require a considerable run to take off. This limits the possibility of operating them from small aerodromes or landing grounds in time of war.

It is also a disadvantage when they are used for night flying, because it is then desirable that they should rise from the ground as rapidly as possible, and thus be able to clear any obstructions on the borders of the aerodrome by an ample margin.

Swatow, To-day.

No Japanese warships are now off Swatow. — Central News.

M. HERRIOT NOT TO STAND FOR PRESIDENCY?

Paris, To-day.

The Chamber President, M. Herriot, who was expected by many to be the next French State President, will not be a candidate for this office at the forthcoming elections it is reported in the Sunday edition of the "Paris Soir". — Trans-Ocean.

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CLOSE QUESTIONING IN INSURANCE CLAIM AGAINST LOCAL COMPANY

MR. WONG YUN-TONG, MANAGING DIRECTOR OF THE CHEONG SHING HONG WHICH HAS INSTITUTED A CLAIM FOR \$30,906.23 AGAINST THE CHINA UNDERWRITERS, LIMITED, FOR LOSS AND DAMAGE TO GOODS BY FIRE, WAS WARNED THIS MORNING BY THE CHIEF JUSTICE, SIR ATHOLL MacGREGOR, NOT TO LOOK AROUND AT OTHERS IN COURT BEFORE REPLYING TO QUESTIONS, BUT TO GIVE HIS ATTENTION TO THE CROSS-EXAMINING COUNSEL, THE HON. MR. LEO D'ALMADA, JUNIOR.

In the witness box, Mr. Wong (cross-examined by Mr. Leo D'Almada) stated that the claim was made up by his foks. Witness did not personally work it out.

Witness said that he looked at every item in the claim before it was sent to the China Underwriters. He ascertained from his foks that the prices claimed were the market rates.

Referring to the firm's books, witness replied that some of the books were not kept by one employee. Several foks were entitled to enter items in certain books. Entries in the Weight and Price Book were made by four foks, Wan Lin-foo, Wong Ming, Wong Cho and Cheung Hon.

ENTRIES ADJUSTED

Advance notes were entered in the Rough Book and entries were adjusted, when necessary, on arrival of invoices. Witness said that two or three days prior to the fire he had occasion to look at the books which were then posted to date.

Witness pointed out that the mistakes in the books were either clerical errors, or adjustments made after receiving the invoices. With a few exceptions, the invoices confirm advance notes.

Witness suggested that the errors could have been made when copying and not through calculation. The Rough Book contained many errors while there were only a few in the Fair Book.

TAM'S TRAVELS

Regarding the advance notes and invoices from Kobe, witness admitted that they were written by Tam Sang-han, who travelled between Hong Kong and Kobe for the firm.

After being shown that shipments dated September 10, 19 and 25, and a letter from Kobe dated September 7 were all in the same hand-writing witness replied that, as far as he knew, Tam travelled to and fro and was never long in one place. From the invoices, he admitted, it seemed that Tam was never long in one place. From the invoices, he admitted, it seemed that Tam was in Kobe on September 10, in Hong Kong on September 14 and back in Kobe again on September 19.

Witness suggested that Tam might have written the invoices before September 10, and post-dated them, otherwise he could not have been in Hong Kong.

The case is proceeding.

U.S. FIRMS' "MEIN KAMPF" DISPUTE

Hitler And Refugees To Share Profits

THE DECISION OF THE AMERICAN PUBLISHING FIRM, STACKPOLE AND SONS, TO DEFY HERR HITLER BY PUBLISHING A TRANSLATION OF THE FULL, UNEXPURGATED VERSION OF "MEIN KAMPF" HAS BEEN FURTHER COMPLICATED.

The American firm Reynal and Hitchcock announced that they will bring out a complete edition of Herr Hitler's book next month. They have come to this arrangement with Houghton, Mifflin, owners of the American rights and publishers of a condensed version now on sale in England and the United States.

Mr. Eugene Reynal, in an interview sharply criticised the plans of Stackpole and Sons to publish a full unauthorised edition on the assumption that the work is not protected by copyright in the United States.

Mr. Ferris Greenslet, a member of Houghton, Mifflin, said: "In the opinion of legal experts, the copyright is perfectly valid, and we are prepared to protect our interest to the full extent of the law."

IF HITLER OBJECTS

"I am no supporter of Hitler, but I should not like to see the whole copyright system disrupted by such flagrant disregard of legal rights."

According to Mr. Reynal, the contract of Houghton, Mifflin gives them every right to publish an unexpurgated translation, although he admitted that Herr Hitler might conceivably question this. If he does, Houghton, Mifflin will defend themselves in court.

Royalties will be paid to the Fuehrer, but a substantial portion of the profits will be given to a fund for refugees.

Mr. Reynal said that his firm would proceed with its plans whether Stackpoles published their translation or not.

"If they do," he said, "we shall apply for an injunction." The claim of Stackpoles that "Mein Kampf" is not protected by copyright is based on the contention that Herr Hitler was neither an Austrian nor a German citizen when he applied for American copyright, but what he himself described as a "Stateless German."

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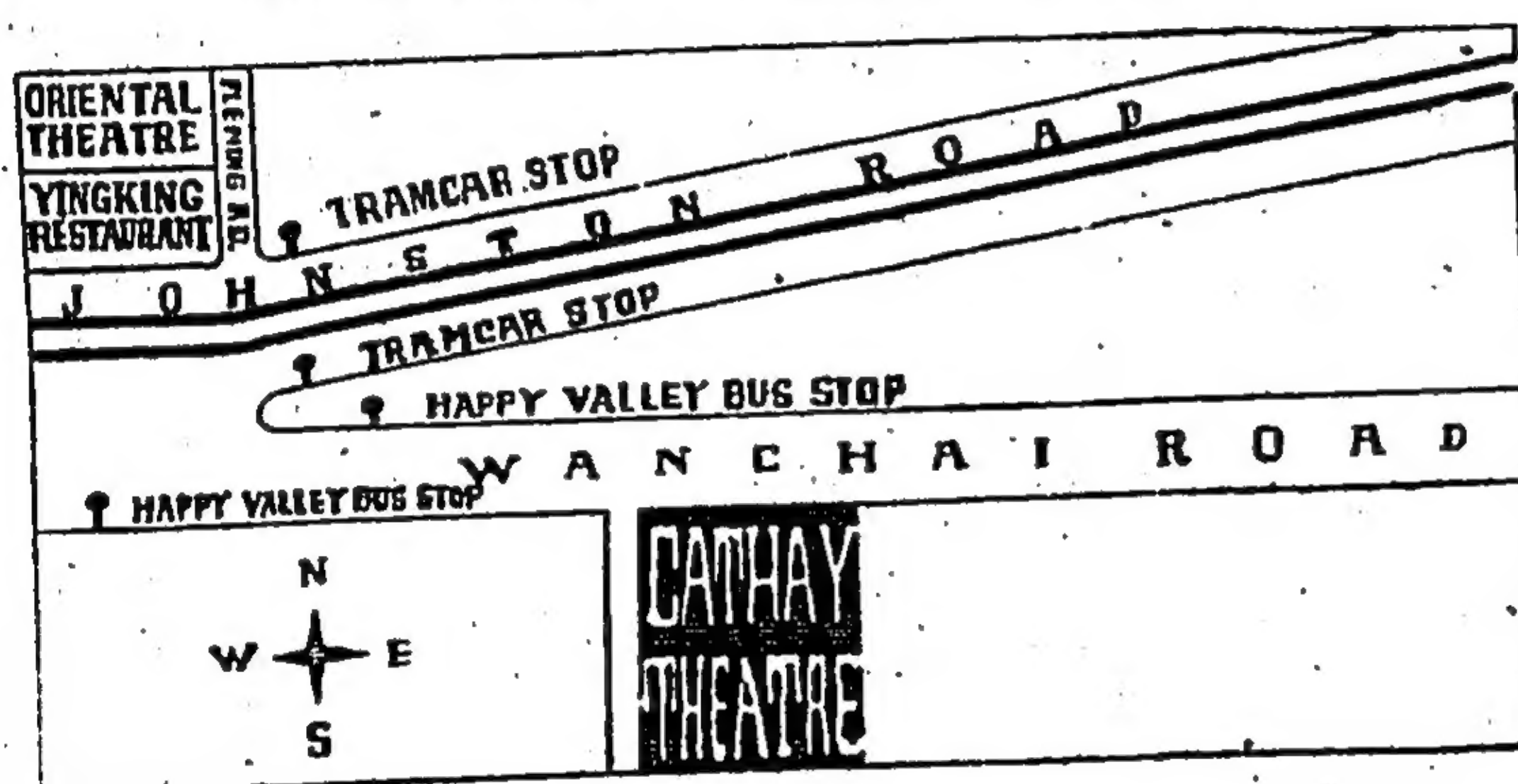
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JAPANESE PREPARED TO DISCUSS FAR EAST: ON THEIR OWN TERMS

Tokyo, Yesterday.

The result of the debate in the Japanese Parliament on the situation in the Far East, according to well-informed quarters, can be summarized as follows.

Continuance of China's military occupation until effective guarantees are given for carrying through of the new organisation of East Asia in the sense of the statement made by Prince Konoye on December 22 last, especially in connection with future common resistance against international Communism.

Determination of the Japanese Government to maintain at full strength the Japanese naval forces in Chinese waters, and to tighten the blockade.

The debate showed that while the main object of the Japanese troops in China was overcoming the resistance of the Chinese armed forces, the Japanese were fully prepared and ready to deal with any possible attack by Soviet Russia, while the Japanese Navy was said to be sufficiently strong to maintain control in the western Pacific and to defend Japanese territory.

CHIANG POLICY UNCHANGED

Secondly Japan has no intention to enter into negotiations with general Chiang Kai-shek but is willing to assist in all endeavours to form a new Chinese Government based on the collaboration of all Chinese ready to come to an understanding with Japan.

It is indicated that new organisation of the Far East would depend on economic, military and political co-operation between Japan, China and Manchukuo, but it is pointed out that the sovereign rights of these three States by this co-operation must not be impeded.

ECONOMIC BLOC

Thirdly, Japan emphasized that the economic bloc of these three Eastern powers is not equivalent to their monopolizing Far Eastern markets, but allows economic ac-

tivities of other states within the scheme of reorganisation of East Asia, which excludes political and military influence or interference by non-Eastern States.

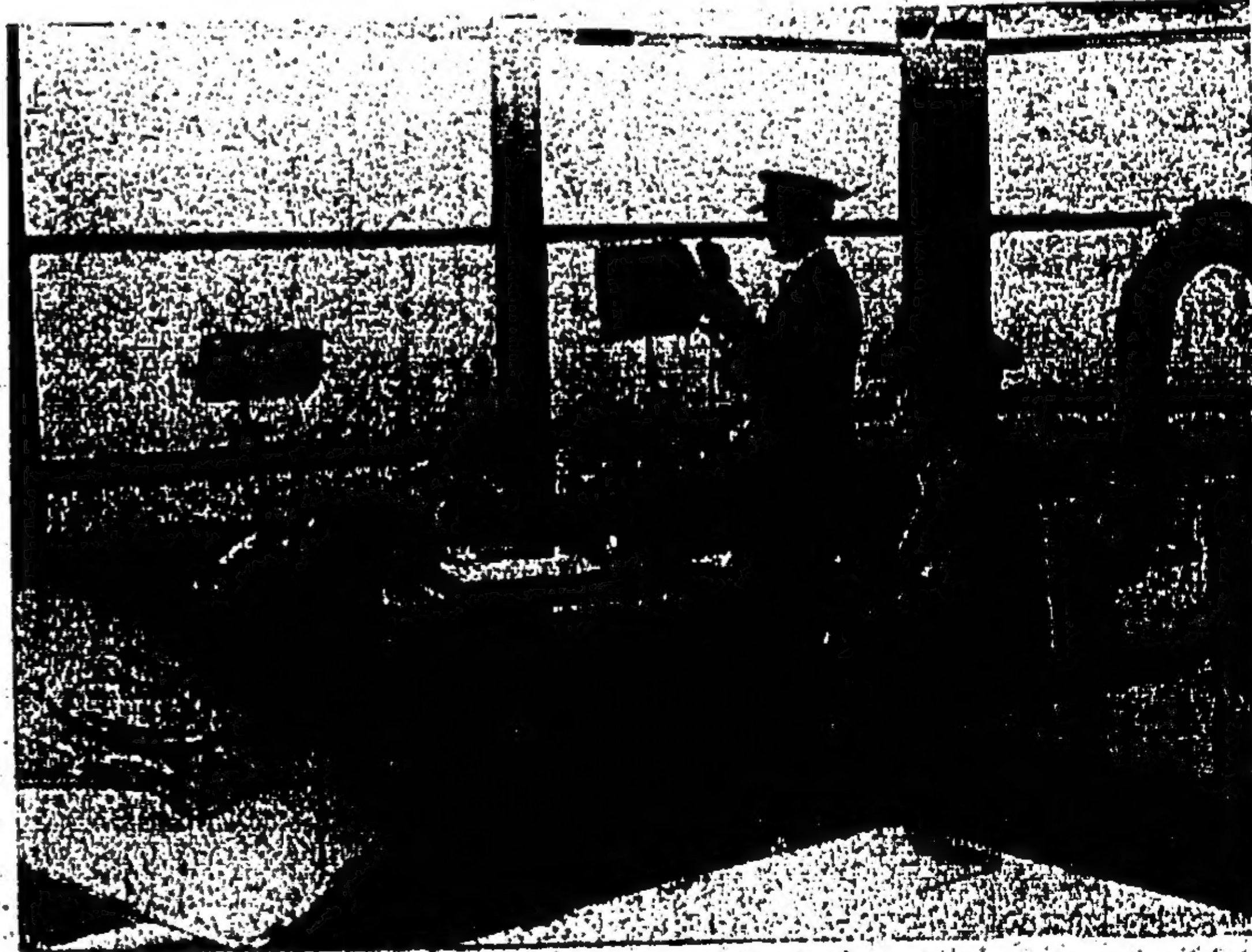
Reorganisation of the Far East therefore would necessitate abolition of the extraterritorial status of foreign settlements, annulment of special concessions and cancellation of collective guarantees stipulated by the Nine-Power Pact which, according to the Japanese conception, is out of date.

IMPORTANT POINT

Another important point insisted on by Japan is that in future China's international relations must exclusively be regulated by the new Chinese "central government" alone without calling international conferences.

While Japan on principle declines to pay for damages inflicted on the property of foreign powers during military operations in the Far East, she is willing to make special arrangements in exceptional cases.

Japan, according to best-informed sources, is in readiness to enter into discussions with third powers on the Far Eastern problem, and moreover willing to call an international conference at Tokyo, but, "it must be clearly understood by everyone concerned that there must be no direct or indirect attempt to continue or restore former international obligations or find a basis for new, collective schemes."—Trans-Ocean.



One of the finest airports in the world is undoubtedly the new Liverpool Airport which has deeply impressed deputations from all countries of the world. The whole buildings are arranged in terraces from which the general public can watch all operations or have easy access to the restaurants on the second floor. There is a spacious reception hall and commodious company and administrative offices. Rising centrally is the control tower which is accepted as representing the most up-to-date control of air traffic. Photo shows a scene inside the new control tower, showing an officer giving flash signals for a plane to take off.

No Details Of Mussolini Speech Allowed To Emerge

Cryptic Reference To "Contiguous" Territory

ITALY TO STAY IN SPAIN

ROME, TO-DAY.

THE NEWSPAPERS TO-DAY ALL COMMENT WITH HIGH PRAISE ON THE COMMUNIQUE OF THE FASCIST GRAND COUNCIL.

Signor Gayda, writing in the "Giornale D'Italia" says that the whole meeting was dedicated to the discussion of foreign affairs.

All the world expected a speech from the Duce which would have closed the cycle of speeches opened by Mr. Chamberlain and Herr Hitler and adds: "There was a speech but one reserved only for members of the Grand Council and not given out to indiscreet ears and commentators.

After attacking President Roosevelt, Signor Gayda says that owing to the continued attacks against totalitarian states, these must close their ranks and be ready to defend themselves.

"Italy is ready for her defence with all the means at her disposal and with those of her associate, Germany, who by Hitler's speech reconfirms her complete solidarity not only ideally and politically but also militarily."

ITALY AND SPAIN

Signor Gayda declared that the Italian legionaries will not leave Spain until the country is completely purged of Red armies and the corroding efforts of their friends.

Until a final and thorough cleaning-up of Red troops in Spain and contiguous territory where there has been organised, and found, refugee assistance, Franco's victory cannot be said to be complete.

Fresh diplomatic pressure and interference is developing against Spain's resurrection, therefore German and Italian assistance cannot be withdrawn. — Reuter.

COMPREHENSIVE SURVEY

Rome, To-day.

The only source for foreign observers to obtain information on Signor Mussolini's speech before the Fascist Grand Council last night is the semi-official "Giornale D'Italia."

Signor Gayda, writes that Signor Mussolini actually delivered the speech expected abroad with interest by giving a comprehensive survey of the international situation, but this address was meant for the Fascist Grand Council only and not for intruding investigators and commentators.

WORLD UNREST

Signor Mussolini's report, supplemented by detailed explanations by the Foreign Minister, Count Ciano made comprehensible the present unrest throughout Europe and the world.

The Duce, according to Signor Gayda, argued that the peace policy of responsible statesmen was increasingly threatened by war-mon-

gers on both sides of the ocean and that the growing war spirit of parties agitating against Authoritarian States made it imperative for Italy and Germany to combine all forces for effective defence.

NOW WHAT?

Dealing with the Spanish Civil War, Signor Gayda comes to the conclusion that in spite of military defeat, the Republicans in Spain, and their friends, are not yet willing to lay down arms in political warfare. The military victory of General Franco must be followed by a complete political victory.

General Franco's friends knew from experience how easily foreign intrigues could get busy between the two phases of these between Italian legionaries would, therefore, not leave Spanish territory before the fruits of General Franco's victory were fully secured, beyond the influence of the Republicans and their friends. — Trans-Ocean.

NEGRIN CROSSES FRONTIER

Paris, To-day.

Dr. Negrin, the Spanish Premier, crossed the frontier into France at 3.45 a.m. to-day, according to the Havas correspondent at La Perthus, the French border town. — Reuter.

MINERS STORM MEXICAN PRISON

Mexico City, To-day.

Miners in Contra Esaraca, according to the Mexican paper, Excelsior, stormed the local prison and lynched three men, who had killed seven persons, including one woman and two children. — Trans-Ocean.

Chan Wah, 22, unemployed, was this morning sentenced to 10 strokes and 4 months' hard labour, for snatching a pair of ear-rings from Ng Fung Choi, 36, married woman, in Mongkok Road, yesterday.

SIR ARCHIBALD CLARK-KERR IN PEIPING

Peiping, To-day.

Sir Archibald Clark-Kerr, the British Ambassador, arrived in Peiping to-day from Tientsin on an unofficial visit, for a week.

This is the first time he has been to North China. — Reuter.

CONGRESS THREATEN TO GIVE BRITAIN AN ULTIMATUM

Jalpaiguri, Bengal, To-day.

The Congress Political conference passed a resolution affirming India's right to frame its own constitution by means of a Constituents Assembly and reiterating uncompromising opposition to Federation.

The resolutions urges the All-India Conference to give six Months' ultimatum to the British Government in which to reply categorically to "India's national demand."

If a reply is not forthcoming or is unsatisfactory, Congress will be free to resort to whatever action it considers necessary to enforce the demand.

The resolution receiving increased stiffening of Congress opposition towards Federation is the result of the emergence of Leftist influence following Mr. Bose's election as President. — Reuter.

FIGHTING

Two boatmen were charged this morning before Mr. R. A. D. Forrest, with inflicting grievous bodily harm on Yip Yun, a street coolie, Defendants, together with another street coolie, were also charged with fighting in the street.

Mr. W. M. Brown appeared for the first two defendants.

A remand of 48 hours was granted.

Mr. T. J. Houston, third Magistrate, has reported that a radiator cap was stolen from his car in Babington Path yesterday.

Mr. L. L. Foxwell, of No. 95, Waterloo Road, has reported the loss of a dog at about 7.30 a.m. yesterday.

ROOSEVELT DEMENTI HELD RATHER BELATED

Rome, To-day.

The entire Italian evening press on Saturday, calls President Roosevelt's statement to the American papers a very belated denial.

The semi-official "Giornale d'Italia" points out that three days late, President Roosevelt has made an attempt to deny incendiary statements on the inevitability of war between democracies and totalitarian states attributed to him by his own American press.

It seems to be clear that Roosevelt, in view of the storm of American indignation against his dangerous remarks, took refuge in denial.

Anyway his new statement to the American press is nothing but a definition of his frequently voiced and never denied attitude towards Italy, Germany and Japan.

The paper concludes that if President Roosevelt utters threats against totalitarian states he must not be surprised if these states take defence measures. — Trans-Ocean.

AIR RAID WARDEN CLASSES

Air Raid Warden classes will be commencing at the following places at 6 p.m. to-morrow:

Y.M.C.A. (European) Salisbury Road, Kowloon.

La Salle College, Prince Edward Road, Kowloon.

All members of the public are cordially invited to attend these lectures, and it is hoped that many will be willing to offer their services to the Government in the A.R.P. organization. All attending these classes who desire to volunteer should hand their names to the instructor in charge of the courses.

PENNY DREADFULS GOOD FOR NERVES

More "penny dreadfuls," fewer nervous children.

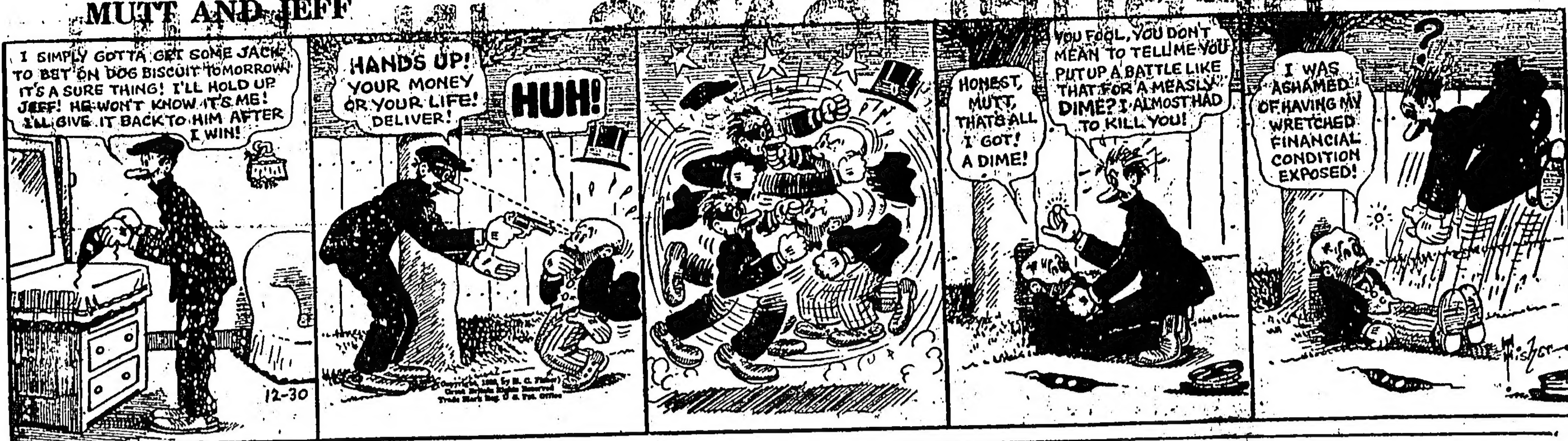
So Dr. Margaret Lowenfeld, of the Institute of Child Psychology, said in London.

The "penny dreadful," she said, supplied for older children something which so far no first-class writer had given them.

Children wanted a book in which many things were done quickly and did not want to be troubled with motives and morals.

Books for children should have an element of the grotesque for that kept children, and grown-ups, sane.

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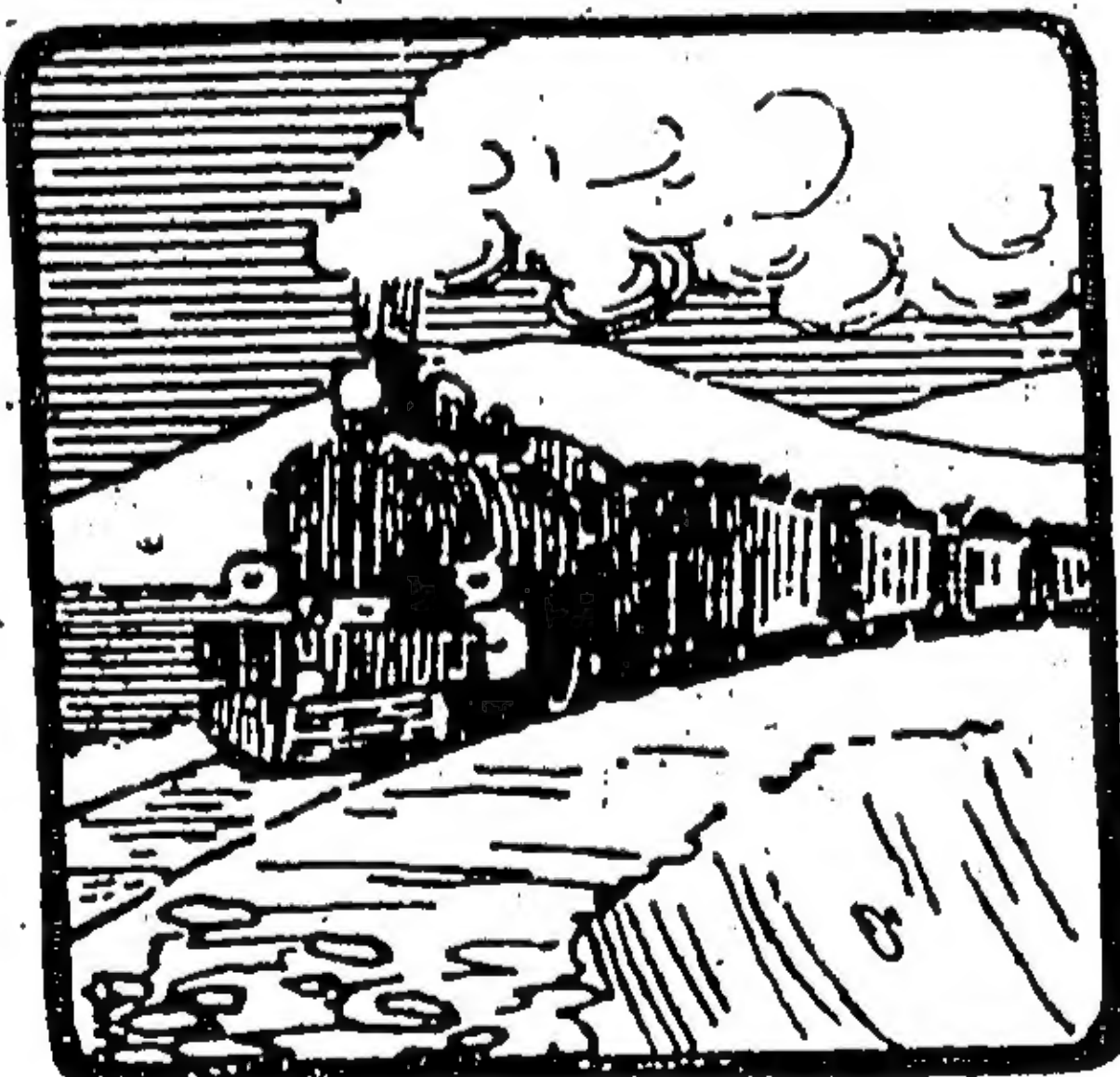
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THE DAILY SHORT STORY

Quinlan's Quickie

When Sam Furbush, talent scout for Herman Rubenstein Pictures, Inc., first saw Slim Jameson he knew he had found a type that could make money for any movie studio. Slim was tall and angular and goodnatured and talked with a slow drawl. He lived in the isolated town of Bryant Falls, Idaho, worked in the local hardware store and composed songs in his spare time. One of his bits had caught on, had had a fair sale. So Sam Furbush, acting on a hunch, dropped up to Bryant Falls one day, took one look at Slim and made him an offer.

Now, the most that Slim knew about motion pictures was what he had learned watching second-run features in Ed Bemis' combination Cinema House, dance hall and bowling alley. Usually golden haired Essie Burton sat beside him. After the show they would visit Stanley's ice cream emporium, look happily into each others eyes over a couple of chocolate sundaes and talk of the day when Slim would save enough money to buy and stock a ranch up north in Sundown Valley.

Slim's mind was on the ranch when Sam Furbush made his offer. He talked the matter over with Essie, and

He thought of Essie and the letters she had written him. The letters glowed with praise for his pictures. Essie and he had made an agreement to be always honest with each other.

On April 10 Slim's contract expired, and on this day he made it a point to be absent from the studio so Sam Furbush couldn't make him resign. Instead, he dropped in at Quinlan's Quickie studio and introduced himself to Jake Quinlan.

"Suppose," he said, "we throw in together? We'll make a Quickie. I'll play the lead role, write a new song, sing it myself. We'll clean up, on account of the overhead will be one-tenth of what Rubenstein spends."

Jake Quinlan chewed his cigar. He was smart and shrewd and suspicious. It looked like a trick. Rubenstein would hit the ceiling if he knew what this kid was up to. Still, what a chance to clean up! And what if it did ruin Slim as a star? It was quick, easy money.

"What's the deal?" he said. "I'll take 75 percent of the net," Slim said.

"Like hell you will!" Jake Quinlan exploded. "Listen—" But Slim was on his way out. Jake went after him,

By Richard Hill Wilkinson

Essie agreed that it looked like a quick and easy way to acquire the necessary funds. Though she'd miss him terribly, he'd better go to Hollywood.

So Slim went to Hollywood with Sam Furbush. The wonders of the outside world amazed, but did not please him. He signed a contract that Sam prepared, and made a picture, acting and talking exactly as the director told him to, which wasn't hard because the more natural he appeared the better the director liked it.

It took two months to complete the picture and Slim was paid a total of \$1000. It looked like big money to him, and it was big money, except for the fact that it cost big money to live in Hollywood—the way Herman Rubenstein thought he should live.

It didn't surprise the officials of Rubenstein pictures when reports indicated that Slim's picture was box office. They knew they had a natural, and they went about the business of capitalizing on it.

The first step was to prevent Slim from being apprised of his own success. This was easy. They showed him no fan mail and kept him so busy he scarcely had time to read the papers. They gave him enough praise to inflate his ego, but not enough to nourish anything as dangerous as a superiority complex. They paid him \$150 weekly, but they saw to it he spent nearly all of it. They weren't taking any chances of letting him acquire enough to purchase his ranch in Sundown Valley and so walk out on them.

Slim made another picture and it was more successful than the first. But nobody told him so. Gradually it occurred to him that the handsome salary he was receiving wasn't doing him much good. At this rate he'd never have enough saved to buy the ranch. Something, he decided, had to be done.

Now Slim was smart. He was much smarter than Sam or Herman gave him credit for. He had a way of keeping his eyes and ears open and his mouth shut. He learned things. He brooded over the things he learned.

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REPUBLICANS IN FULL RETREAT IN CATALONIA

French Frontier Opened To Give Sanctuary

Troops As Well As Civilians Pouring Over

Paris, To-day.

Signor Companys, President of Catalonia, and Signor Aguerre, the Basque President, have arrived in France and have asked that diplomatic passports be issued to them to allow them to remain.

Meanwhile, President Azana is proceeding to Paris. Twelve Republican chaser planes landed near Carcassonne and the French authorities immediately took charge of them.

All the lorries containing the 800 cases of art treasures bound for Geneva, crossed the frontier undamaged.

Hitherto, over 100,000 refugees have entered France in the past few days.

The frontier was opened in the evening for military refugees, to whom it had previously be closed.

Three thousand immediately crossed and were sent to the Argeles Concentration camp.—Reuter.

MODESTO'S DEFEAT

Perpignan, To-day.

Five hundred carabeneros crossed the frontier yesterday evening and thousands of others are expected shortly.

General Modesto's army of the Ebro which was defeated and his three army corps are expected to begin pouring into France tonight bringing guns and tanks which will be interned.

Five thousand foreign volunteers are massed three miles from the frontier awaiting arrangements to cross.

Two hundred and forty, mostly Portuguese, have already crossed.

DYNAMITING BRIDGES

It is understood that the Perpignan authorities have requested the Nationalists to advance to the frontier immediately in order to cope with the urgent refugee problems.

The Nationalists replied that they were advancing as quickly as possible but they were being hampered by the Republicans dynamiting bridges.—Reuter.

SWEEPING ADVANCE

Burgos, To-day.

The Nationalists are advancing in all sectors in Catalonia and command practically all communications through the Pyrenees. They claim to have captured Seodeurgel, the main Republican base eight miles from the frontier.—Reuter.

FIGUERAS BOMBING

Perpignan, To-day.

The French authorities at Le Perthus were notified yesterday afternoon that the Spanish Premier, Dr. Negrin, and several other Ministers, had left Figueras for Valencia during the morning.

Nationalist planes were constantly cruising over the town of Figueras and bombing it.

The troops of General Franco are advancing with great rapidity from Gerona without encountering resistance. The occupation of Figueras which is about 20 kilome-

tres from the French frontier should be effected without difficulty.

LONG COLUMN

Militiamen retiring across the French frontier will be disarmed and interned.

A long column of the retreating army is headed by motorized detachments and artillery, followed by innumerable vehicles of all kinds with fugitives.

The French frontier forces which were composed of regular troops and mobile guards have been greatly strengthened.

The commander of the sixteenth French military district, General Fagalde and a Lieutenant-Colonel of the Spanish Army, conferred at Le Perthus yesterday to discuss the technical details of the capitulation.

HOPED FOR TERMS DENIED

The Spanish authorities yesterday officially requested permission from the French authorities that the militia might enter French territory.

It is, therefore, no exaggeration to speak of capitulation.

The French authorities therefore decided to discontinue the practice of compelling men capable of bearing arms, between 18 and 55 years, to recross the frontier to Spain.

The main body of the Catalan army, the vanguard of which reached the frontier at 5 o'clock yesterday afternoon, will be disarmed and interned.

The small French frontier village of Le Perthus, which is now receiving the main stream of fugitives, has suddenly been transformed into a great traffic centre. The only road passing through the village has been rendered almost impassable by thousands of fugitives, militiamen and officials who have arrived in the village, in many cases with trunks and baggage containing their possessions.

TRAINS HELD UP

The camps prepared for the civilian fugitives in the interior of France are already crowded.

Two railway trains with civilian fugitives have been waiting at Boulogne station since Saturday evening for a departure signal which could not be given since all fugitive camps informed the authorities that they are unable to provide quarters.

President Azana and his staff stayed for five days near the village of Augulladas, close to the frontier, before they entered French territory.—Trans-Ocean.

YELLOW RIVER FIGHTING

Chungking, To-day.

Chinese despatches report a concentration of Japanese troops at Hanyang near Feningtu who are crossing to the north of the Yellow River bend.

Chinese artillery, on the west bank on the Shensi side of the Yellow River, is shelling the positions of the Japanese, whose artillery is replying.—Reuter.

TRAMP BECAME A MINISTER

Now Offers Advice On Workhouses

The Rev. Norman Burns, minister of Tilehurst Methodist Church, near Reading, surprised a gathering of homeless men in London by revealing that he was himself once workless and "on the tramp."

"Ten years ago," he said, "I was on the Embankment myself. There is hardly a spike (workhouse) in all the big cities in England that I have not been in, and if you want some information about the best of them I will give it."

"I have tramped round England twice and been over to Ireland as well, but do not go there, because they rotten spikes."

Mr. Burns said afterwards: "Ten years ago I was on tramp. Eventually I came in contact with a number of business men in Newcastle, who sent me to a Methodist college. I went to Newfoundland to fill an emergency appointment in the ministry. Later I attended McGill University and fulfilled a travelling ministry in Canada and Labrador. I entered the English ministry last year."

Mr. Burns was speaking at the annual Absent Guest dinner at the Church Army Hall, Waterloo-road, S. E.

Hosts 3,000 Miles Away

While the homeless men ate a Christmas dinner of roast beef, plum pudding and mince pies, their hosts, 3,000 miles away in Cairo, sat down to a meal of lentil soup, bread and cheese and water.

The meals were served simultaneously. The "hosts" paid 5s each for their 3½d meal and the balance covered the cost of the London dinner.

Air Vice-Marshal H. R. Nicholl presided at the Cairo gathering. The Bishop of Fulham, the Rt. Rev. B. S. Batty, was to have been chairman in London, but he was prevented from attending by the sudden death of his brother.

The Absent Guest dinners were started by the Anglo-American branch of the Y.M.C.A. in Cairo in 1928.

PET PYTHON'S STAY IN GIRL'S BEDROOM

Python's are pets to Miss Gwenda Trinder, of Shardlow, Derbyshire. One of them, Simba, is 9ft. long. Simba, along with two other python's and a couple of wicked-looking Australian diamond snakes, share a bed-room with Miss Trinder and her seventy-five-year-old mother.

As she fondled Simba's coils around her neck, Miss Trinder told a reporter that she "loves her pets better than anyone else in the world, except her mother."

But Mrs. Trinder, on the other side of the fireplace, gave a shudder. She regrets to confess that she does not share her daughter's enthusiasm for reptiles.

INSOMNIA

She is used to it now, but at first she could not sleep at the thought of Simba and company lying near in their boxes in the darkness.

She still cannot bring herself to give the python's the hot water bottles they need three times a day.

Wherever she is, Gwen has to pop home to keep the snakes warm.

Her father was killed on the hunting field fifteen years ago, and she had to do something for a living. As a child she had been crazy about lizards and grass snakes, so she decided that reptiles would provide her with an income.

Hence Simba and his colleagues. Before them came a succession of cobras.

HARD WORK

For five years Miss Trinder was in charge of the reptiles at the Liverpool Zoo. Then she began travelling around with circuses, showing her snakes, and lecturing.

When winter comes around, back come the snakes to her mother's cottage bedroom.

"I should be really lonely without them, although they are hard work. You see, they are subject to disease, and I often have to bathe their mouths three times a day," she said.

Simba coiled his head around his mistress's neck and shot out his tongue like a rapier.

And Mrs. Trinder, from a safe spot, gave another shudder.

"Most extraordinary hobby," she said.

Mr. R. Lloyd, of Normanby-road, South Bank, near Middlesbrough, has another strange pet, an alligator. He is aided and abetted in his hobby by his wife, who is an invalid, and his daughter.

Kept in an outhouse in the back yard, the alligator slithers about on the look-out for something to tickle its palate.

When Miss Lloyd sits in the back yard or the kitchen—the pet is not allowed to go any further than the kitchen door—it will slide along and rest its long head on her lap waiting for her to stroke its scaly back.

Mr. Lloyd brought it home from Africa, and feeds it on fish. A day's supply for the alligator would feed a family for a week.

The presence of the alligator at the house is well-known. No thief has ever paid a visit.



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WAITING AND WATCHING

Signor Mussolini's speech, no more than Herr Hitler's, gave any real care to where and how Italian and German expansionist aspirations will be felt. It is still possible to ask the question, Can Europe, having survived crisis after crisis during 1938, maintain unbroken if uneasy peace in 1939? Such questions are far from being merely rhetorical. He would be an optimist indeed who could read the international barometer as set for fair weather during the next few months. The intense diplomatic activity now proceeding, on the contrary, indicates a continuance of uncertainty and mistrust. If the theory that latent war prevails in Europe be accepted, it will be natural to interpret all the leading events—whether they occur on the wintry battlefields of Catalonia, where Republican Spain is in death-grapple with the Francoist-Italian armies, or in the secrecy of the chancelleries—as a manoeuvring for position by the Powers for the struggle which, despite Munich, some of them may still believe to be inevitable. So swift are the moves in this battle for politico-strategic advantages, so unpredictable the groupings and regroupings of the nations concerned, that the best informed commentary has difficulty in keeping pace with events.

Thus Mr. Churchill, writing on the morrow of last month's Rus-

so-Polish agreement, refer in an article published in the "Sunday Herald" last week to the "haste" with which Colonel Beck, in fear of Germany, had proceeded to link Warsaw with Moscow, despite the virtual Soviet ultimatum of September. Yet before it was printed the Polish Foreign Minister, returning from his holiday in the winter sunshine of the Riviera, had held talks with Herr Hitler which may even despite Ribbentrop's comparative failure in Warsaw, prove hardly less fateful to the future of Europe than the Chamberlain-Mussolini conversations in Rome. There is, of course, nothing unusual in this alternation of Polish policy between Russia and Germany. Ever since the recovery of her independence after the Great War, and particularly since Germany and Russia have recuperated their exhausted energies, Poland has been torn between hopes and fears of her giant neighbours, an approach towards one being regarded as a hostile move by the other. What is surprising, and significant of the growing momentum of developments in Eastern Europe, is the speed with which Colonel Beck moved. Hardly had he yielded to the blandishments of Moscow, counselling that security against German ambitions in Danzig and the Ukraine lay in co-operation with Russia, than Herr Hitler has lured him to Berlin with visions of safety to be found in an extension of the anti-Comintern Pact. Whether Codlin is really the friend, or Short, Colonel Beck apparently is still unable to decide. No doubt he would prefer to have them both as good neighbours, and meanwhile he is prepared to lend an attentive ear to each, at intervals of no more than a month!

If circumstances force Poland to come down on one side or other of the Russo-German fence, it will probably be the Nazi side. There is no mistaking the ascendancy of Germany in Europe since Munich. The arbiter of frontiers, the dispenser of peace or war, resides at Berchtesgaden. Even Poland, no little State with its 34,00,000 of population and its fine army, walks in fear of the Nazi power. There is a modern Polish proverb, which the fate of Czechoslovakia seemed to make specially apposite: "God is high above and France far away." On the other hand, the might of Germany seems to draw nearer and grow greater. Other nations than Poland are feeling its oppressive attraction. The Hungarian Premier and the Czechoslovak Foreign Minister are fresh back from visits to Berlin, linked with Germany's plans to strengthen the anti-Communist bloc—which means, setting aside the ideological cloak, that she wants to clear the way for the detachment and appropriation of the Russian Ukraine. Even the Czechs, still nominally the allies of the Soviet, will be expected to play their part in this enterprise, if it is true that Herr Hitler is pressing a military alliance upon them. They are now definitely within the German orbit, and the smaller States of South-eastern Europe appear bound to follow them. What Mr. Churchill calls "the raw morrow of Munich" is losing none of its bleakness for the Western democracies as time goes on. Every shift in the European scene seems to favour the "axis" Powers and, unless Mr. Chamberlain (or Mr. Roosevelt) can work something like a miracle, the coming months are likely to be still disturbing.

YALTAH MENUHIN'S ROMANCE ENDS

CZECHOSLOVAKIA TO LEAVE THE LEAGUE?

Pressburg, To-day. The probability that Czechoslovakia would leave the League of Nations and join the anti-Comintern front was indicated by the Slovak propaganda chief, Dr. Mach, speaking last night at a Slovak mass meeting in Richnovce. Karl Murgas, leader of the Slovak Hlinka Guards, speaking after Dr. Mach, demanded the exclusion of the Jews and Czechs from Slovak public life. — Trans-Ocean.

STRIP TEASE STOPS PANIC

The art of Ruth Donald, a strip tease dancer, averted a panic among an audience of 600 in a Broadway theatre fire.

She hurried on to the stage and, slowly disrobing, engrossed all watchers. They did not notice the billowing smoke.

While Ruth strip teased attendants went from row to row and tapped members of the audience on the shoulder and asked them quietly to leave the theatre.

Aged 17--Seven Months Married

Yaltah, youngest of the three Menuhin, children, has separated from her husband, Mr. William Stix, 26-years-old lawyer, of St. Louis, Missouri, after only seven months of marriage.

All three Menuhins—Yehudi, world-famous violinist; Hephzibah, a pianist who plays in concerts with her brother; and Yaltah, also a great pianist, were married within a few weeks of each other last May and June.

Yehudi married Miss Nola Nicholas, of Australia; Hephzibah married Miss Nicholas's brother; and Yaltah married Mr. Stix.

Now Yaltah has returned to her mother, who admits that the separation may be permanent.

Since the eldest two were to be married, the parents consented to Yaltah marrying Mr. Stix.

Germany Keeps Up Attack On Pres. Roosevelt

Berlin, Yesterday.

"President Roosevelt's attitude is aiming at open interference in European affairs, and is therefore a direct betrayal of the Monroe Doctrine," says the Nazi Gazette.

It may safely be assumed that this remark of the semi-official organ, which is published only irregularly and on especially important occasions, reflects the official German attitude.

In its latest edition, which is only the fourth issued thus far, it recalls the fact that the Monroe Doctrine was recognized by the European powers because President Monroe had supplemented and justified the doctrine with the assurance that the United States would on their part too refrain from interference in European affairs.

TWICE VIOLATED

"After 120 years these principles, which are so advantageous for the United States and which were accepted by Germany 120 years ago and confirmed anew in January, 1939, have been one-sidedly violated by two United States politicians whose character is strangely alike, namely, President Wilson and President Roosevelt."

The paper points out that the return to the traditional non-interference policy after the War which was desired by the American people, was of only brief duration.

NEW LAW.

In 1937 the neutrality regulations were loosened by President Roosevelt through a new law which provided that belligerents might obtain war material from the United States if they paid in cash for purchase and shipment of this war material.

"The President and the wire-pullers behind him, however, were not satisfied with this. The Godless Bolsheviks in Spain were supported with arms and other material."

"In great American cities re-

cruitment of American citizens for service as mercenaries in the Republican Army was permitted with complete impunity for recruiting agents.

PRESIDENT'S AIMS

"According to uncontradicted reports the present American President openly aims at enforcing legislation which will allow him to interfere actively in European affairs."

"He wishes to be in a position to support the so-called Democratic group of states in the event of war and to provoke these states to adopt a hostile and uncompromising attitude towards the totalitarian countries."

"President Roosevelt, and the Jewish clique around him," so the paper adds, "wish to sabotage the Anglo-German, Franco-German and Anglo-Italian declarations, and to frustrate hopes for a fair settlement of the Franco-Italian dispute, since these developments are not in accordance with their political aims."

"SURPRISING ATTITUDE"

The semi-official organ expresses suspicion that the desire to justify the unauthorized airplane deliveries to France may be to a considerable part responsible for the present "surprising attitude" of the American President.

"It appears to be certain, however, that fair-minded American people reject such manipulations, and that the American people will sooner or later give expression of their condemnation of the policy."

—Trans-Ocean.

TEST FLIGHT FROM KUNMING

Chungking, To-day.

The stage has been set for a test flight between Yunnanfu (Kunming) and London, China's new air link with Europe.

It is reliably learned that a plane will leave Yunnanfu for Rangoon on Thursday with Mr. P. Y. Wong, General Manager of the China National Aviation Corporation.

The official will board another machine and proceed to London. The flight to Rangoon will take one day and four additional days to London.—Our Own Correspondent.

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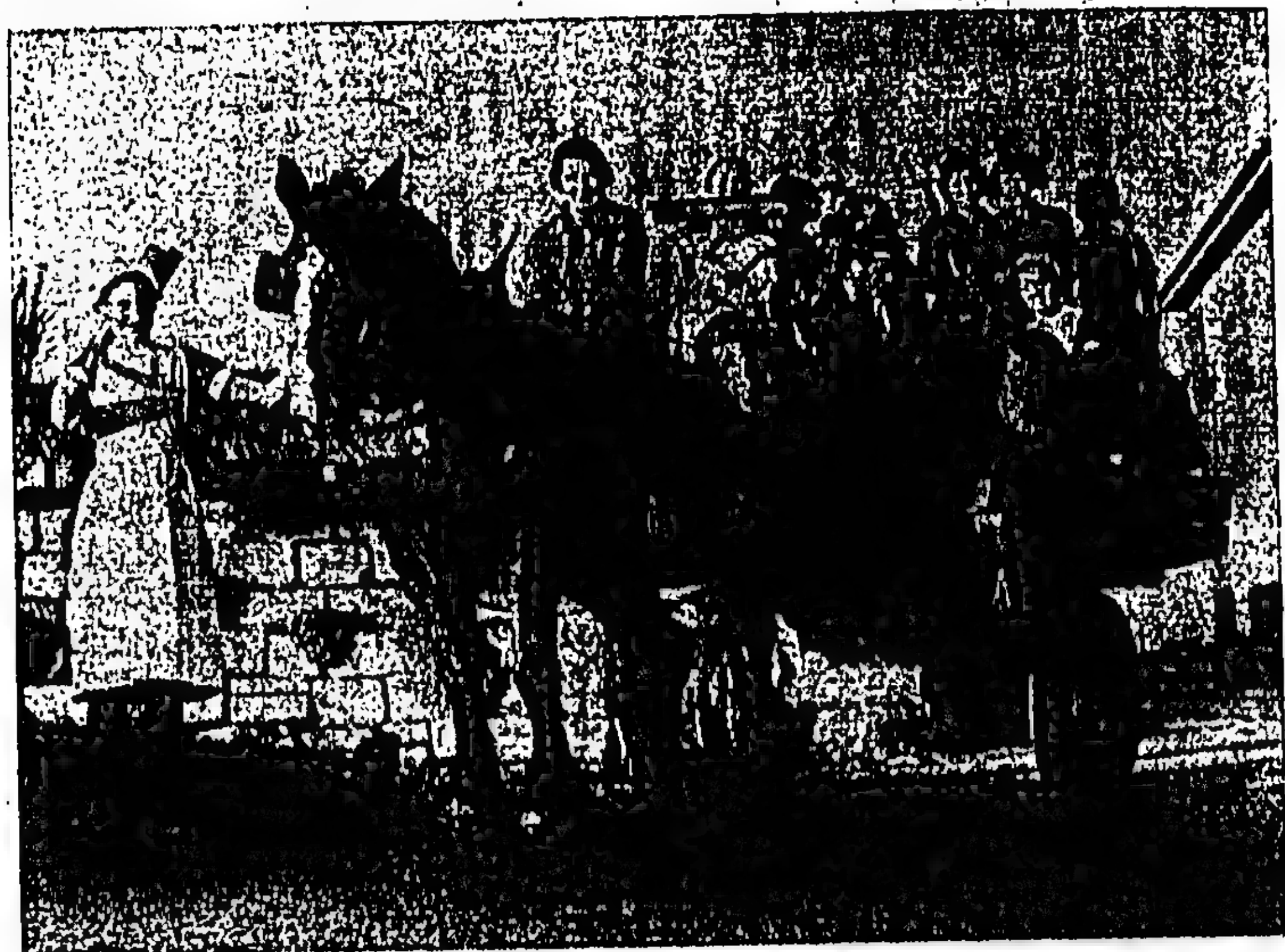
Japanese Terrorism In In The Chungshan District

TWO BUSES AND CAR ATTACKED: SEVERAL DEAD

Macao, To-day.

Japanese aircraft are active in the Chungshan district. Targets for their machine-gun fire yesterday were two buses of the Kei Kwan Motor Bus Co. who maintain and operate the splendid highway between Macao and Shekki, and a motor-car, No. 891, of the Nam Va Garage of Macao.

At about 11 a.m. the two buses, Nos. 117 and 123, were making their way along the road to Shekki when near Sam Mun Kin, a suburb of the little township of Chui Hang, the birthplace of the late Dr. Sun Yat-sen, which is only an hour's drive from Macao, four Japanese planes appeared.



More and more English women and girls are studying farming. One of the finest training centres in the country is the Hampshire County Council Farm Institute at Sparsholt, near Winchester. It covers an area of 437 acres and offers training in all branches of farming. This rubber-tired cart does yeoman service as the women students return from their work in the fields.

CHINA TO TAKE PART IN THE OLYMPIAD

Chungking, To-day.

China will participate in the world Olympics at Helsingfors by sending at least soccer and basketball teams, according to the decision of the directors of the China National Amateur Athletic Federation which met in Chungking last night.

The Chinese delegation will be headed by Dr. C. T. Wang, former foreign minister and ambassador to Washington, who was also elected chairman of the committee of preparation.—Reuter.

BURGLAR CAUGHT AT TIME OF ASKING

Un Shu, 22, unemployed, was charged before Mr. R. A. D. Forrest at the Central Magistracy this morning, with burglary.

It was alleged that at midnight yesterday, defendant entered the third floor of No. 344 Des Voeux Road West, and stole clothing, the property of an electrician.

On August 17, last year, he visited No. 28 Davies Street, first floor, and stole clothing and other articles valued at \$46.50. He also stole \$393 worth of clothing from No. 46 Hau Wo Street on September 12 last.

Det. Sergt. Macvey said that a large bundle of keys was found in defendant's possession, and some of the property was recovered, from pawnshops.

Defendant was sentenced to 12 months' hard labour and placed under police supervision for two years.

After scouting, they followed the buses and eventually commenced flying low. Before most of the passengers had left the buses to make for safety in the surrounding paddy-fields, the planes had opened fire with their machine-guns.

The vehicles were bullet-ridden and three of the passengers were killed and four others wounded. The drivers escaped unhurt.

Continuing their mission of destruction, their next objective was a large motor-car on the way to Macao. The car met with a similar fate. This time the driver was fatally wounded by a machine gun bullet which pierced his chest and passed through his back. Three of the passengers, two Chinese women and a girl, were also wounded. The victims of this machine-gunning were removed to the nearby hospital in Chui Hang, and the driver, Tang Wing, died shortly after admission.

The car was brought in to Macao this evening and it had obviously been subjected to severe machine-gun fire. Several bullets were still to be seen embedded in various parts of the car.

The only possible explanation of this strafing would seem to be that the Japanese are continuing a policy of frightfulness among Chinese civilians.—Our Own Correspondent.

FIGHT OVER WATER

Three Chinese girls were this morning charged at the Kowloon Magistracy before Mr. E. Hims-worth with behaving in a disorderly manner on Saturday in Gillies Avenue. They were Choi Ching, 18, married, Hu Mui, 17, married, and Ha Shu Mui, 12.

It was alleged that they quarrelled and fought at a water fountain.

The older defendants were both placed on a bond of \$5 to preserve the peace for 6 months and the younger defendant was cautioned.

Pang Shing, 45, dock coolie, was this morning charged at Kowloon with stealing brass fittings from Kowloon Dock. He was fined \$10 or one month.

HIGH PROSPECTS OF AN AMICABLE ARRANGEMENT AMONG ARABS IN LONDON

London, To-day.

The Arabs who have arrived for the Palestine talks held a number of consultations during the past week including talks with Mr. Malcolm MacDonald and it is understood that an agreement is expected to be reached.

It is expected that when the Arabs meet the British Government representatives on Tuesday, Jemal Husseini, who is the Mufti's cousin, will submit the Arab case and the delegates of the surrounding countries will participate in the subsequent discussion.

It is known that the British Government is anxious that all Arabs form one delegation and when the Defence Party representatives arrive to-morrow, it is expected that an early meeting will be arranged with other Arabs, who will endeavour to persuade them to form one delegation, though stipulating that the Nashashibi Party have only two delegates.

CONFIDENCE FELT

If an agreement is not reached at this point, it is anticipated that the Mufti Party will continue the discussions with the British Government but make a declaration in advance that they do not recognise the Defence Party delegation but every effort must first be made to obtain unity of action and it is confidently believed that an Arab division will be avoided.—Reuter.

BUDAPEST OUTRAGE ENQUIRY

Budapest, To-day.

The Chief of the Budapest police in a statement to the press last night, announced that the arrest of the persons responsible for the bomb outrage on Jews leaving the Synagogue on Friday is to be expected within a short time.

The police have succeeded in finding out the identity of the perpetrators and are now searching the places where they might hide themselves.—Trans-Ocean.

DAIRY FARM COOLIE'S THEFT

A fine of \$20 or one month's hard labour was imposed on Chan King, 24, butcher, by Mr. R. Edwards this morning, when he pleaded guilty to stealing one and a half pounds of bacon from the Dairy Farm Company on Saturday.

The bacon was found in his possession, when he was leaving after he had finished work, by A. K. Omar, inspector of the Dairy Farm.

COOLIDGE THEFT

Wong Chuen, 26, was this morning charged at Kowloon, with theft from the President Coolidge, at the No. 1 Kowloon Wharf, on Saturday. A black leather wallet, containing private papers, belonging to Mr. J. P. Paine, Chief Electrical Engineer was taken. The case was adjourned for 24 hours.

News Snack Bar

GIRLS WARNED OF "STRONG MAN" IDOL

Women are warned against the modern "Strong Man" idol.

They are told that not only in Fascist countries, but in Britain were influences which would make women mere breeding-machines, and that they must fight the threat of a new Dark Age before it was too late.

The call came from Mrs. A. MacMillan, president, at the opening of the annual conference of the National Union of Teachers at Eastbourne.

She said women had broken bad old traditions, had made their way into new professions, had opened new horizons. But now they found those horizons closing again.

PRESENTED FROM COURT

From Highgate Police Court: Witness (of road crash): I became aware of a policeman standing near, and something told me I had better go unconscious again.

Husband: I begrudge my wife nothing, providing she gives it back.

Street Merchant: It was the quickest business venture I had ever done. Within two minutes 1s. 6d. had changed hands!

CHURCH TOWER IS GIRLS' DINING ROOM

A tower in Upper Thames-street, E.C., all that remains of a church destroyed in the Great Fire of London, has been converted by a neighbouring church into a dining-hall and rest-room for London business girls.—J. Durrant, 18, Grosvenor-road, Leyton, E.10.

A six-months baby born to Mr. and Mrs. W. Fleming, of 29, Crossley-street, Barnsbury, N., on New Year's Eve, weighed only 2lb. and was given ten minutes to live. It is now thriving on brandy, glucose and water, fed from a fountain-pen filler.

Two hundred and forty-four years of work for one firm is the record of the Purner family, of Marford-road, Clapton, E. Mr. Purner, the father, has been a carman for fifty-three years, his son for twenty-nine years. Five daughters, as maids and dress-makers, make up the rest of the 244 years.—Mr. Purner, 45, Marford-road Clapton, E.

Ever since she was born, eighty-eight years ago, Mrs. Wallace, of Westmacott-street, Camberwell, S.E. has lived in the house where her mother and father lived before her. She still refuses to have electricity or gas for lighting, using only oil lamps and candles.—Mr. Langley, 19, Westmacott-street, Camberwell, S. E.

In the sixteen years Alderman Rooke has been a member of Saffron Walden (Essex) Council, he has never missed a council meeting or even a committee meeting. Now he is to be Saffron Walden's mayor for the fifth successive year.—C. C. Saffron Walden.

"We find, in the words of Aldous Huxley, a world where 'humanitarianism is visibly declining; the idolatrous worship of strong men is on the increase,'" she said.

"PRIVILEGE" OF WAR

"We find a world in which 'women are steadily losing ground in the English-speaking countries, and probably in all democracies,' while in the Fascist countries they are merely breeding-machines.

"Woman is the subordinate of the man in this new society; her main function is to produce and raise healthy children as the future soldiers of a mighty irresistible military machine.

"According to the German Government: 'Women's task is to be charming, and to give birth to children', and 'There is no higher or finer privilege for a woman than that of sending her children to war.'

Mrs. MacMillan called for resistance to "this barbarism."

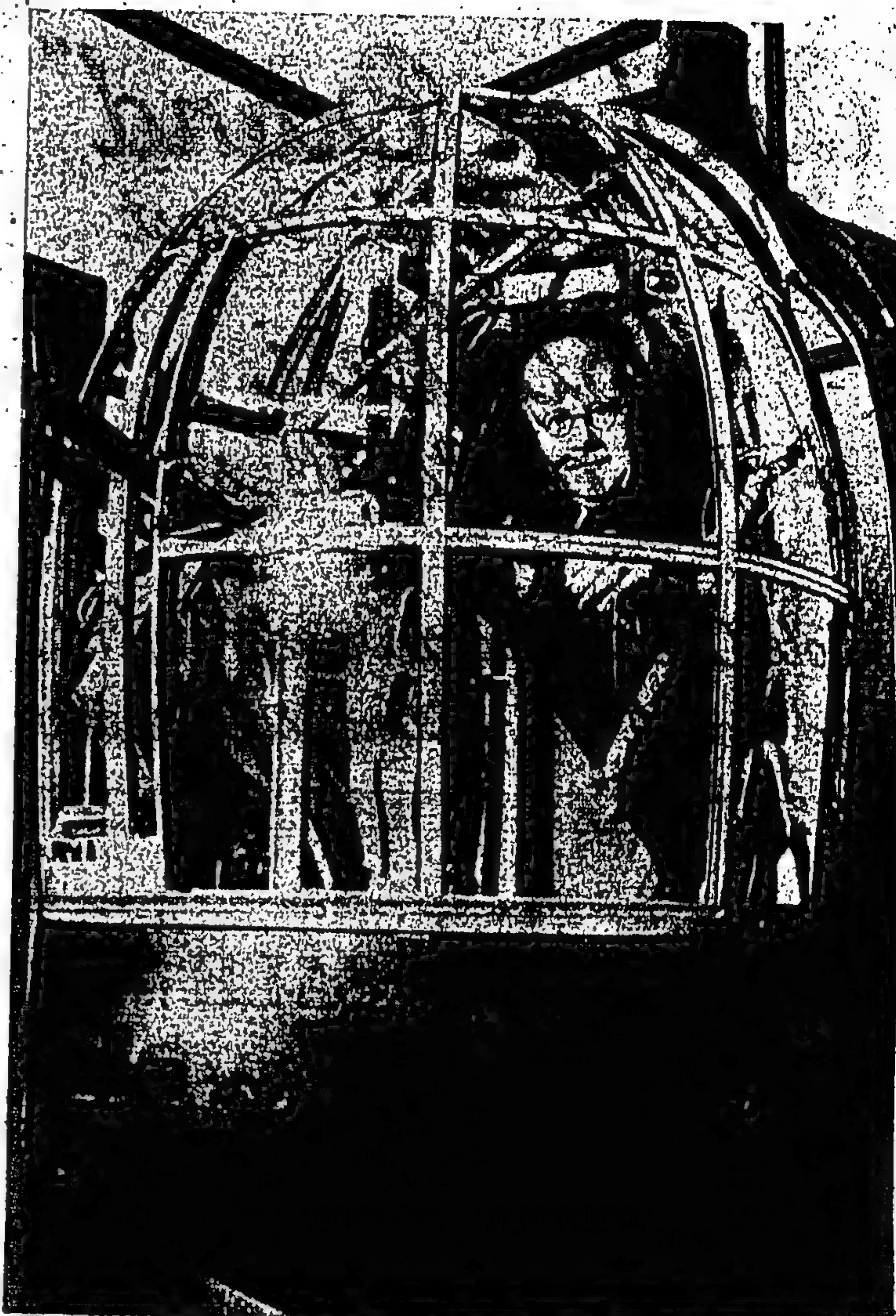
"The spread of these pernicious ideas is not limited to lands beyond our own," she warned.

Mrs. A. Le Sueur, of London, carried the attack into the camp of her own sex.

"There is a body of women," she said, "who have stated publicly that because they have not secured a husband they ought to be given some compensation."



Led by their own boy Bishop, G. Jenkins, the boys of St. Mary of the Angels at Addlestone, Surrey, have just observed the ceremony of gathering the holly. Photo shows the boy Bishop standing in the picturesque porch of the house as the boys enter with the holly.



Sir Kingsley Wood, Minister for Air, inspecting one of the latest aircraft turrets now in use in the Royal Air Force. The photograph was taken during the Minister's visit to the Tolworth Factory of Parnall Aircraft Ltd., when he pointed out that thanks to the ability and inventiveness of Captain Frazer Nash we now led other countries in the production of automatic movable turrets.

"NOT FLATTERED"

"They are the spinsters. That is why they have that funny view of the value of husbands.

"It is a curious delusion that a husband is in all cases such a remarkably valuable asset that if you have the misfortune to be without one you should have ten shillings per week.

"I think that if I was the husband they had not got I should not feel very flattered."

A large number of women, she commented, got married as a means of livelihood.

"It has always been a mystery to me," she said, "that the male sex should uphold the keeping of a wife. If I was a man I think I should lie in bed at night wondering why my wife had married me."

TOO OLD AT 35

Men who stay bachelors until they are thirty-five are too old for marriage . . . according to a resolution passed at a conference of women in Cawnpore, India. The conference urged parents to refuse their daughters' hands to men who have reached that age.

THEY GO OUTSIDE TO BED

Mr. and Mrs. Dance, of The Lodge Heronden Hall, Tenterden, Kent, have to go outside to go to bed.

Their house is an archway, one half of the rooms being shut off from the rest, and each night they have to leave their cosy fire to walk outside to the other part of the house.—Sent by Mrs. Dance.

COURT DEFINITION

From London police courts:

"He's telling lies," protested a defendant at Tottenham yesterday.

Magistrate, C. A. Dubery: We do not allow that language in court.

"Then he's telling untruths," the defendant amended.

"That's better," Mr. Dubery commented.

Woman at Eating: I dare not go round to that house in a new coat. If I do, the moment I get inside the coat is torn off my back and the daughters take it in turns to see how they look in it standing, walking and dancing. . . . If the youngest one gets it on, she sees how she looks in it walking down the road.

Woman at Willesden: What my husband told me was one story. What he said in his sleep was another.

HE'S A BRIGHT

YOUNG SPARK

Bobby Graham, eleven, of Hillingdon, Middlesex, has one ambition—to become an electrician, like his father.

He has fitted a battery and small lamps to his roller-skates, so that he can go errands for his mother in the dark in safety; fitted an electric light inside a pram; and at the moment is trying to make his little sister's doll's eyes light up.

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FIRST AIR GIRL IS

Britain's Bravest Woman Collects Wild Flowers

London, January 22.

The pioneer airwoman of Britain, Mrs. Gertrude Foggitt, is sixty-four now and lives in a quiet Yorkshire market town. But she is still keenly interested in flying and only recently went for her first glider flight.

Mrs. Foggitt was the first woman in the world to go up in an airship, the first to take a seaplane flight, and the first to fly to Paris in a commercial aeroplane.

Her love of the air was born before airplanes were invented, for as a girl she took part in many daring balloon ascents.

DROVE IN 1899

Once she went under water in a diver's suit. She drove a motor-car as long ago as 1899. During the war she served with the Red Cross.

Sitting in the parlour of her home at Thirsk, Mrs. Foggitt described some of her greatest thrills to a Sunday Express representative.

"I inherited my love of flying from my father," she said. "He made many balloon ascents with the Spencer brothers.

"I first went up in one at the Crystal Palace when I was twenty-four and had many trips afterwards.

"The most hazardous was in 1899 when Stanley Spencer, my father, and I went up before dawn to see a shower of shooting stars which scientists were expecting.

"We had to throw out all our ballast to get above the cloud layer and then found ourselves helpless as the balloon soared higher and higher.

"After drifting for hours we heard the sound of the sea below us and knew that we faced death.

"Stanley wrote a letter which I am sure was a farewell message to his wife.

"Then, to our joy, we found ourselves descending over the South Wales coast.

"We came down with a bump, crashed through a barbed wire fence, bounded into an oak tree which snapped, and we were deposited in a field.

"I escaped with a broken arm. My father had a torn leg."

MID-AIR THRILL

In 1904 at Shrewsbury 70,000 people saw Mrs. Foggitt make the first airship ascent by a woman in a craft that had only a 5 h.p. engine.

Household gas had been used to fill the airship bag.

When they were 2,000 feet up Stanley Spencer had to climb out along the bamboo framework to clear a rope.

Later came the invention of the airplane and the first flying meeting at Rheims attended by pioneers like Bleriot, Farman, Glenn Curtis, Paulhan, and Latham. Mrs. Foggitt flew with Roger Sommer.

"There are many now who know the glorious gliding sense you get as a machine leaves the ground," said Mrs. Foggitt. "But picture what it meant the first time, when the world of aviation was young, fresh, and untried. Then to rise at all was a glorious adventure.

"In that experience I have something of which the record-breakers of to-day have missed—the rapture and glory of the very beginning.

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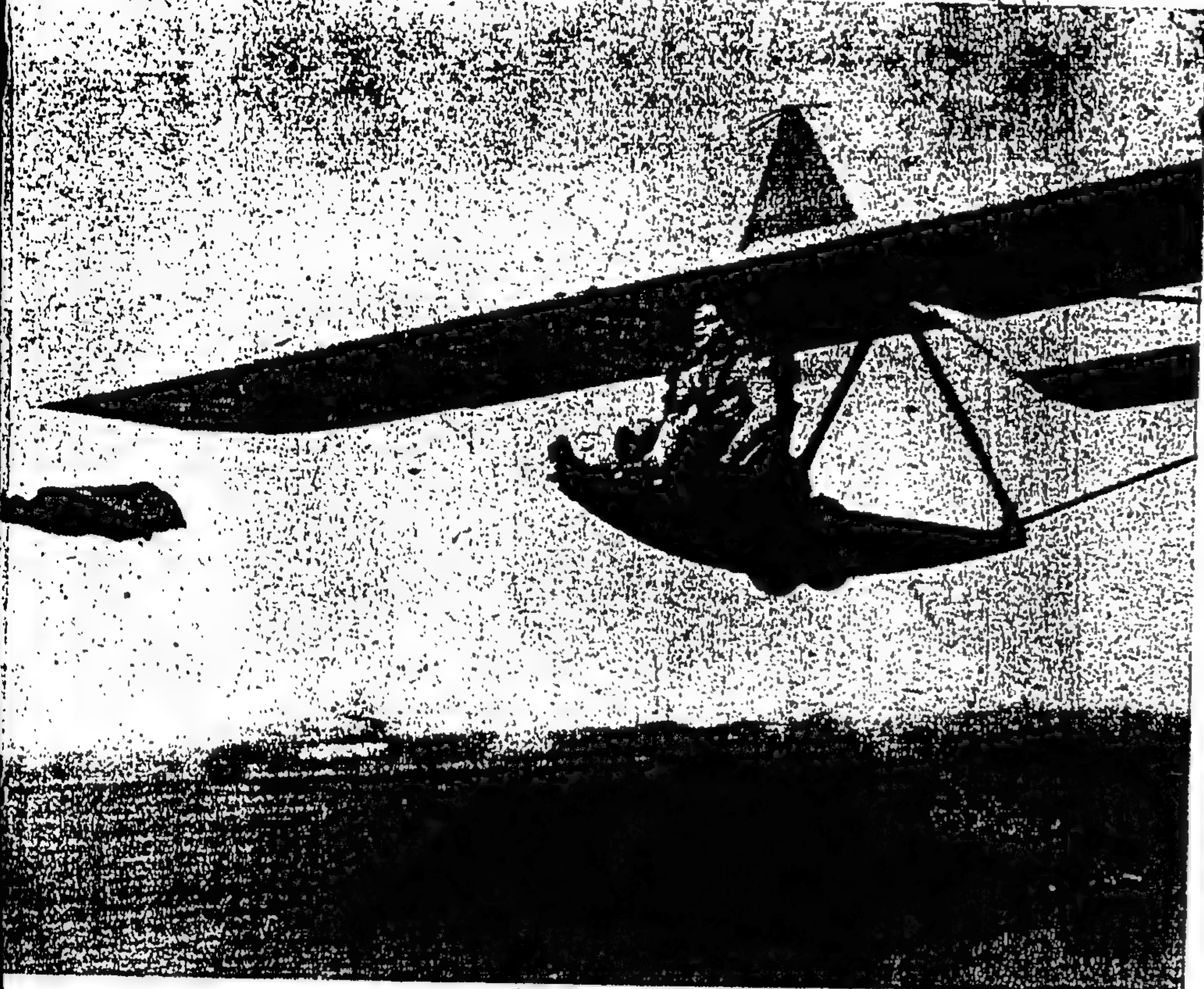
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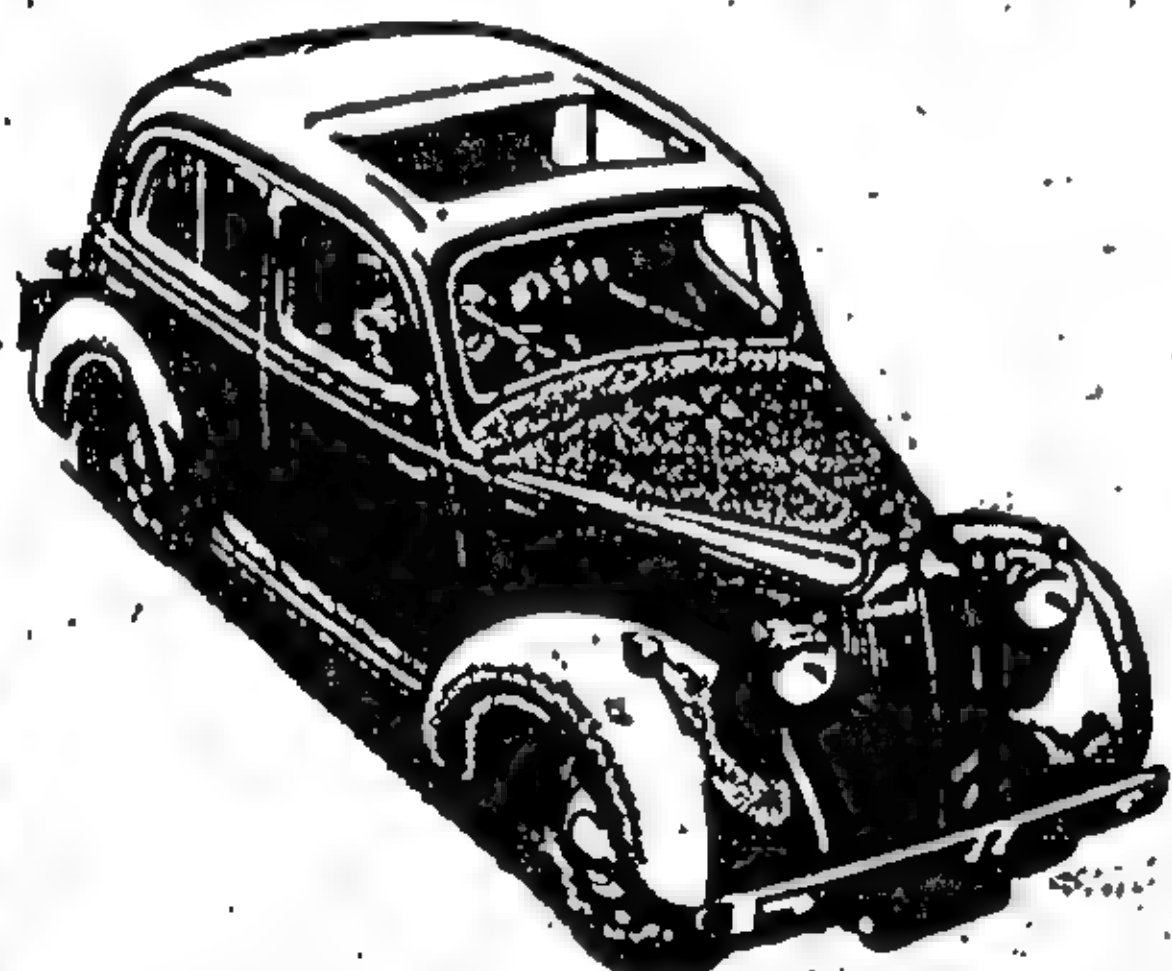
S YOUNGEST PILOT.—At the age of ten, Master John Aspell is the world's youngest glider pilot. He has just secured his "A" licence. He is the son of Mrs. Hope Aspell, Hon. Sec. of the Oxford and City Gliding Club. His flights average two miles at a height of 500 feet. Photo of John in the air. His left hand is ready to release the tow-rod when he gains sufficient altitude at the club's ground at Farmoor.

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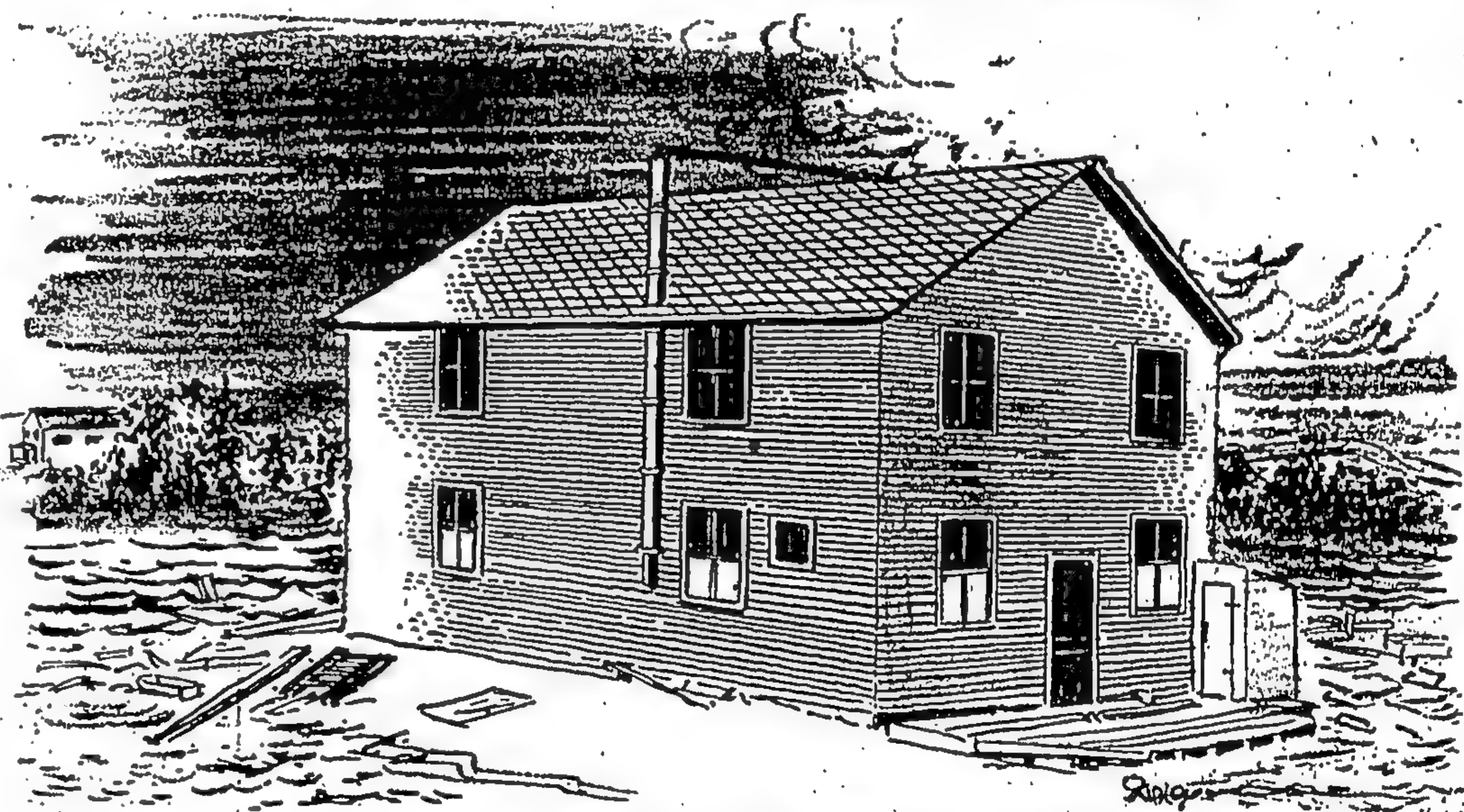


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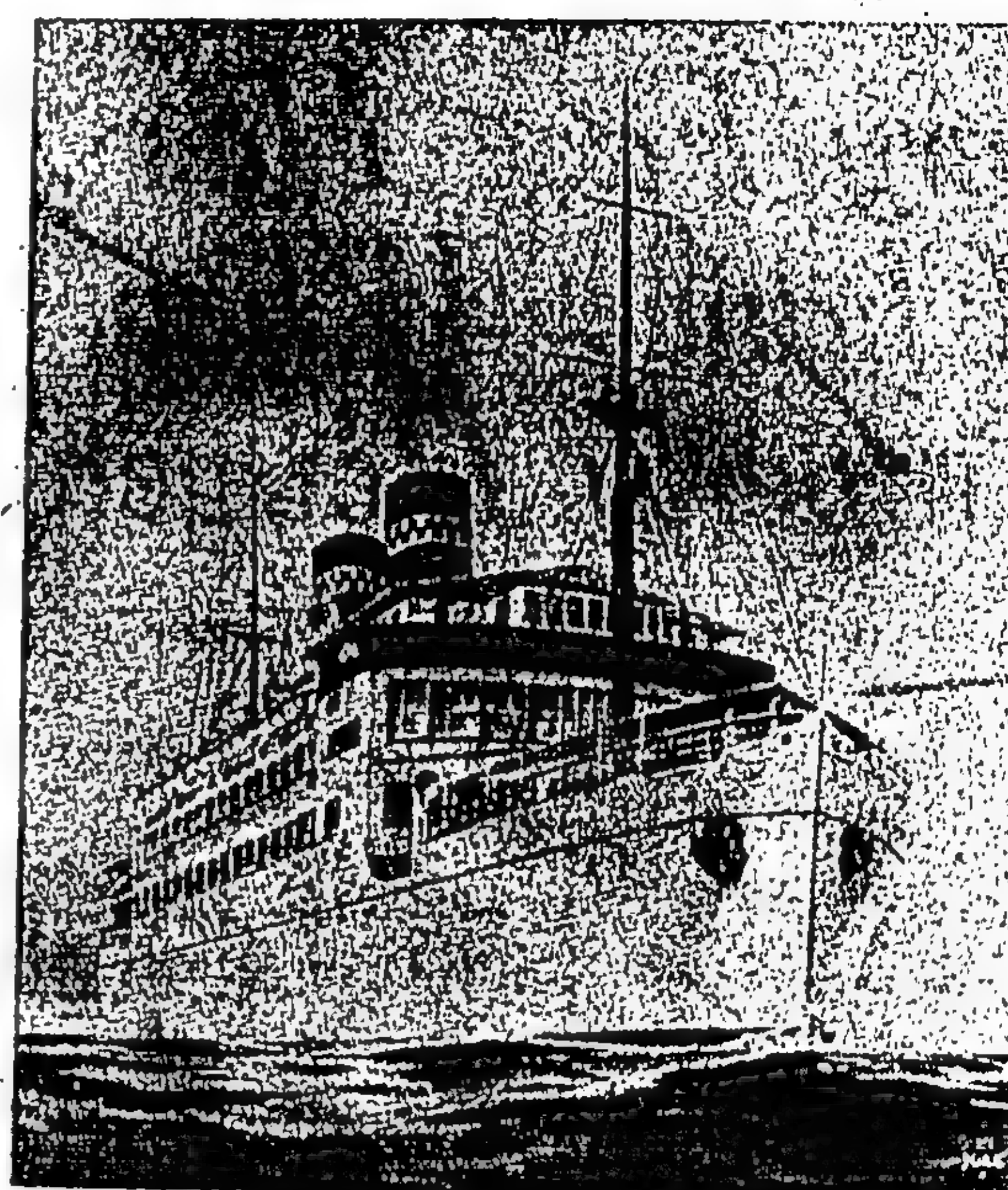


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Beauty and You

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Every Face Has A Chance When Properly Rouged

You should consider rouge as much a final touch to grooming as perfume. Neither should be obvious. Both should be delicately and subtly applied to embellish your personal allure.

Of course, there are girls and women who can do very nicely without adding colour to their cheeks. They are fortunate. The majority of women who are of age, look infinitely prettier with a touch of rouge providing the shade flatters their skin tone and costume, and if it is applied on the right spot of the cheek, smoothly blended.

There are no hard or fast rules about how to use rouge. There are, however, general rules, which are applicable only to four types of faces—round, long and thin, square and what is termed angular.

As the little sketch shows there is a definite section of the cheek for each type of face, where rouge is most becoming. Before applying rouge at all draw an imaginary line

corner of your mouth. Rouge should never be placed nearer your nose than that line.

Older women and round-faced women should follow the suggestion given in the first sketch.

Sketch two is for the long thin face. Widened by rouge kept high on the cheek bones and blended outward toward the temples.

If your face is square create the illusion of greater width by placing your rouge quite near the eyes broadly, and blending it down your cheek to the narrow point of a triangle.

Angular faces are a problem. The most general rule for them is to follow the natural curve of the cheek bone and avoid colouring the hollows of the cheek—that creates a distressing shadow which gives your face a drawn look.

SPECIAL CONSIDERATIONS

Now that you know in a general sort of way where rouge is most flattering for your type of face, do



a little experimenting with colours and application.

If your skin is wrinkled, stretch it with your thumb and first finger as you rouge. That is so the crevices will be rouged to give you an even colour.

For deep hollows beneath the eyes, apply the rouge very close to the lower eyelashes. Blend it around the edges with fingers.

Girls with lovely eyes, get a pleasing effect by keeping rouge close to temples and ears—thus broadening their face and keeping the eyes prominent.

SELECTING COLOUR

By pinching your cheeks in daylight, you create a natural blush. Match your daylight colour to this unless you go in for lipstick and rouge to accent the colour of your street costume.

Very young and older women should select soft and creamy shades, as their natural colouring is less intense.

Over twenty to fifty can do a lot of experimenting with shades. They can wear pretty much what they wish if they have any eye for harmony of colour, taking into consideration their current skin tone, costume, and general colouring.

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If you are slender and willowy or just very thin, wear a cloak instead of a coat. Not for nothing is the cloak the garment of authority. Think of nursing sisters, field-m Marshals and royal personages and you'll see what I mean.

Silvaine has sketched you exactly the right kind of cloak to wear over a suit. I like it best in the



A grey coat, with black revers. A black hood, trimmed with grey squirrel. Black gloves and shoes go with it. The stockings are green ribbed wool - fun to wear and warm!

Be BOLD . . .

Revolution is my advice. Red revolution against that dismal sentence "Not my type." Against colours which must be right because they are safe. Against conservative ideas about the right clothes for the right occasion.

Against following any fashion which does not suit you.

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I rebel against the too-old-favourite black frock. I want it in my wardrobe, but I want it startled into life by some new idea.

It is instep length and simple because it is a well-behaved good-resolution frock.

In 1939 it is going to step out in a nice selection of aprons.

I'll have one in thin black taffetas to tie at the back and make the frock look really important but still black.

Another in cherry watered silk tied in front and sweeping on the floor behind, for times when I feel rather grande dame.

A third in striped chiffon or muslin for early spring evenings.

An apron is easy to make. It is gathered or darted into a band and tied with long ends. Any woman of imagination can think of another dozen aprons which might dramatise her good black dinner gown.

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I rebel against the top-coat, jacket and skirt combination for women of all shapes and sizes.



Your old black frock all done up with a cherry silk apron and stock at the neck to match.



If you have the right kind of figure break away from the top-coat tradition and wear a swinging cloak in 1939.

If you wreck your new hair style every time you put on a hat consider a hood. If it can button on to the back of your collar and

match your coat it will look extremely well.

I see every reason for wearing a black velvet hood with a black frieze coat when the wind and the frost are doing their worst. And the great snowfall showed just how becoming a hood can be to nearly every woman's face.

Revolution against "relieving" black with scraps of beige and pink and baby blue.

Starched white, if you like, on crisp occasions, but if black needs

any other kind of relief let it be clear limey green, or sharp turquoise or cardinal crimson.

Out with obvious harmonies.

I know all about primary and complementary colours and their possibilities, but I want to see more women wearing greyed purple with a warm fruity red . . . straw yellow with black or navy . . . fuchsia and pink in the same frock.

Try the difficult colours . . . just for once . . . and you'll find

Be CLEVER!

people admiring your chic and distinction.

Rebel against label. "Not my type" is one of the worst.

I know a woman who spent twenty-four years of her life wearing discreet riding habit coats and flat plate-shaped hats, just because her mother said they were the only thing she could wear.

It took a major revolution in the shape of an outspoken and brand new husband to cure her of plates and riding habit coats for ever.

She wears captivating hats now . . . straight from Paris . . . and her coats are trimmed with the latest what-have-you and she has made a dress reputation for herself.

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"For the older woman" . . . "it's my colour" . . . and "the latest" are three other tags I would throw out of fashion's door for ever.

What The Stars Foretell

(By MARY BLAKE)

Forgetfulness will be the cause of much embarrassment this day, so check up carefully on your social engagements. Guess-work regarding addresses will be the principal reason for many a person's being late for an appointment. Plain talk regarding personal faults may be prevalent this day, and should be taken good-naturedly. Avoid taking any unnecessary risks for this seems to be a day when there will be numerous accidents due to the lack of ordinary precautions. This is a good day to plan for your activities next week, especially if you expect to do any kind of entertaining. Be careful about placing yourself under obligations to anyone this day because the price you eventually might have to pay is likely to be excessive. Forced attention his day will be resented, so it will perhaps be unwise to resort to them, no matter what the temptation might be. Married and engaged couples, and those who are in love, must be very discreet in everything they say or do this day, for offence will be easily taken.

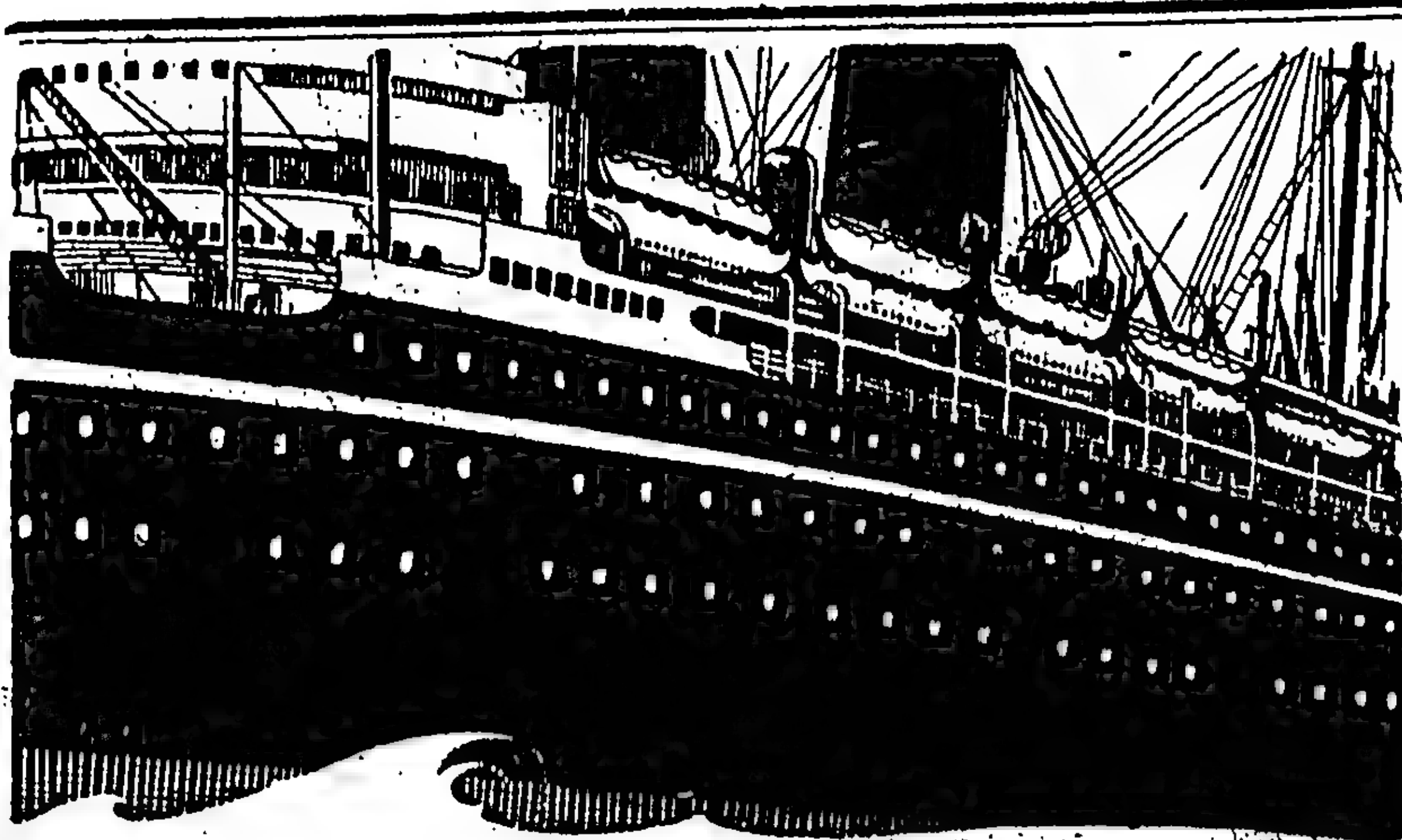
If a woman and February 6 is your birthday, when the occasion warrants it, you can be eloquent. As an observer you seldom overlook anything. You probably have an exceptionally good memory, especially for kindnesses. You may attach too much importance to the opinions of your friends. It might pay you to be independent. As an office executive, tea room or restaurant manager, real estate or insurance broker, author or demonstrator your work probably will win you both praise and a most satisfactory income. You perhaps will give ample proof of having excellent judgment in your selection of a mate.

The child born on February 6 has excellent chances of developing into a genius. In its teens it might give signs of possessing an unusual amount of creative power.

Witty Kitty



Ring out the old ring in the new just means getting rid of one headache to make room for another.



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RANCHI	17,000	18th Feb.	Marseilles & London.
*SOUDAN	7,000	25th Feb.	Bombay, Marseilles, Havre, London, Hull, Hamburg, Rotterdam & Antwerp.
*SRANPURA	17,000	4th Mar.	Marseilles & London.
*NAGPORE	6,000	5th Mar.	Straits, Colombo, Bombay & Karachi.
*RAWALPINDI	17,000	18th Mar.	Marseilles & London.
*BURDWAN	6,000	25th Mar.	Bombay, Marseilles, Havre, London, Hull, Hamburg, Rotterdam & Antwerp.
CANTON	16,000	1st Apr.	Marseilles & London.
CORFU	14,500	15th Apr.	Marseilles & London.
*CHITRAL	15,500	29th Apr.	Marseilles & London.
*CARTHAGE	14,500	13th May	Bombay, Marseilles & London.
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TALMA	10,000	11th Mar.	— do —
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SIRDHANA	10,000	2nd Mar.	Shanghai & Japan.
CANTON	16,000	3rd Mar.	Shanghai & Japan.
SHIRALA	8,000	16th Mar.	Shanghai & Japan.
CORFU	14,500	17th Mar.	Shanghai & Japan.
*SOMALI	7,000	18th Mar.	Shanghai & Japan.
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Air Mail by "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—London date, 28th Jan.	Imperial Airways Plane..	February 6.
Japan and Shanghai	Sarpedon	February 6.
Shanghai	Lycaon	February 6.
Hoihow	Muinam	February 7.
Shanghai, Amoy and Swatow	Hupei	February 7.
Japan and Shanghai	Felix Roussel	February 7.
Manila	Nako Maru	February 7.
Straits	Cremer	February 7.
Australia and Manila	Changte	February 7.
Shanghai and Swatow	Kiangsu	February 7.
Japan	Tango Maru	February 8.
Saigon	Athos II	February 8.
Air Mail by "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—London date, 1st Feb.	Imperial Airways Plane..	February 8.
Haiphong	Canton	February 8.
Japan	Tilawa	February 8.
Japan and Shanghai	Toba Maru	February 9.
Canada, U.S.A., Japan and Shanghai (Vancouver B.C. date, 21st Jan.)	Emp. of Russia	February 9.
Canada, U.S.A., Japan and Shanghai (Vancouver B.C. date, 21st Jan.)	Emp. of Russia	February 9.
Japan and Shanghai	Behar	February 10.
Straits	Hakone Maru	February 10.

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For	Per	Date and Time.
MONDAY		
Air Mail for "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—due London, 13th Feb.	Imperial Airways Plane, Mon., Feb. 6.	K.P.O.
	Reg.,	Feb. 6, 5 p.m.
	Ord.,	Feb. 6, 5.30 p.m.
	G.P.O.	
	Reg.,	Feb. 6, 5 p.m.
	Ord.,	Feb. 6, 7 p.m.
Air Mail for Malaya, Java and Australia by "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—due Sydney, 13th Feb.	Imperial Airways Plane, Mon., Feb. 6.	K.P.O.
	Reg.,	Feb. 6, 5 p.m.
	Ord.,	Feb. 6, 5.30 p.m.
	G.P.O.	
	Reg.,	Feb. 6, 5 p.m.
	Ord.,	Feb. 6, 7 p.m.
TUESDAY		
Manila, Makasser and Sourabaya	Tjinegara	Tues., Feb. 7, 8.30 a.m.
Hoihow and Pakhoi	Kanchow	Tues., Feb. 7, Noon.
Swatow and Amoy	Tsinan	Tues., Feb. 7, 9.30 a.m.
Parcels only for Straits, Penang, Ceylon, Aden, Egypt, Marseilles and London—due London, 15th March	Sarpedon	Tues., Feb. 7, 5.00 p.m.
Swatow, Foochow and Tientsin	Yunnan	Tues., Feb. 7, 10.30 a.m.
Air Mail for "Air France Service"—due Marseilles, 19th Feb.	Felix Roussel	Tues., Feb. 7, 3.00 p.m.
	G.P.O. and K.P.O.	
	Reg.,	Tues., Feb. 7, 2.30 p.m.
	Ord.,	Tues., Feb. 7, 3.00 p.m.
Saigon	Felix Roussel	Tues., Feb. 7, 3.30 p.m.
WEDNESDAY		
Shanghai, Japan, U.S.A., Central and Emj. of Asia	Wed., Feb. 8.	
South America, via Vancouver B.C., and (Parcels and Papers only for Canada)—due Vancouver B.C., 25th January and Europe (except Great Britain and Eire) via Siberia	G.P.O. and K.P.O.	
	Par.,	Tues., Feb. 7, 5.00 p.m.
	Reg.,	Wed., Feb. 8, 9.15 a.m.
	Ord.,	Wed., Feb. 8, 10.00 a.m.
Swatow, Saigon and Bangkok	Kweiyang	Wed., Feb. 8, 8.30 a.m.
Papers only for Straits and (Parcels and Papers for Calcutta)	Hosang	Wed., Feb. 8, 1.00 p.m.
	Par.,	Wed., Feb. 8, 11.00 a.m.
	Papers,	Wed., Feb. 8, Noon.
Haiphong	Wosang	Wed., Feb. 8, 1.00 p.m.
Shanghai and Japan	Athos II	Wed., Feb. 8, 1.30 p.m.
Swatow and Tientsin	Taksang	Wed., Feb. 8, 2.30 p.m.

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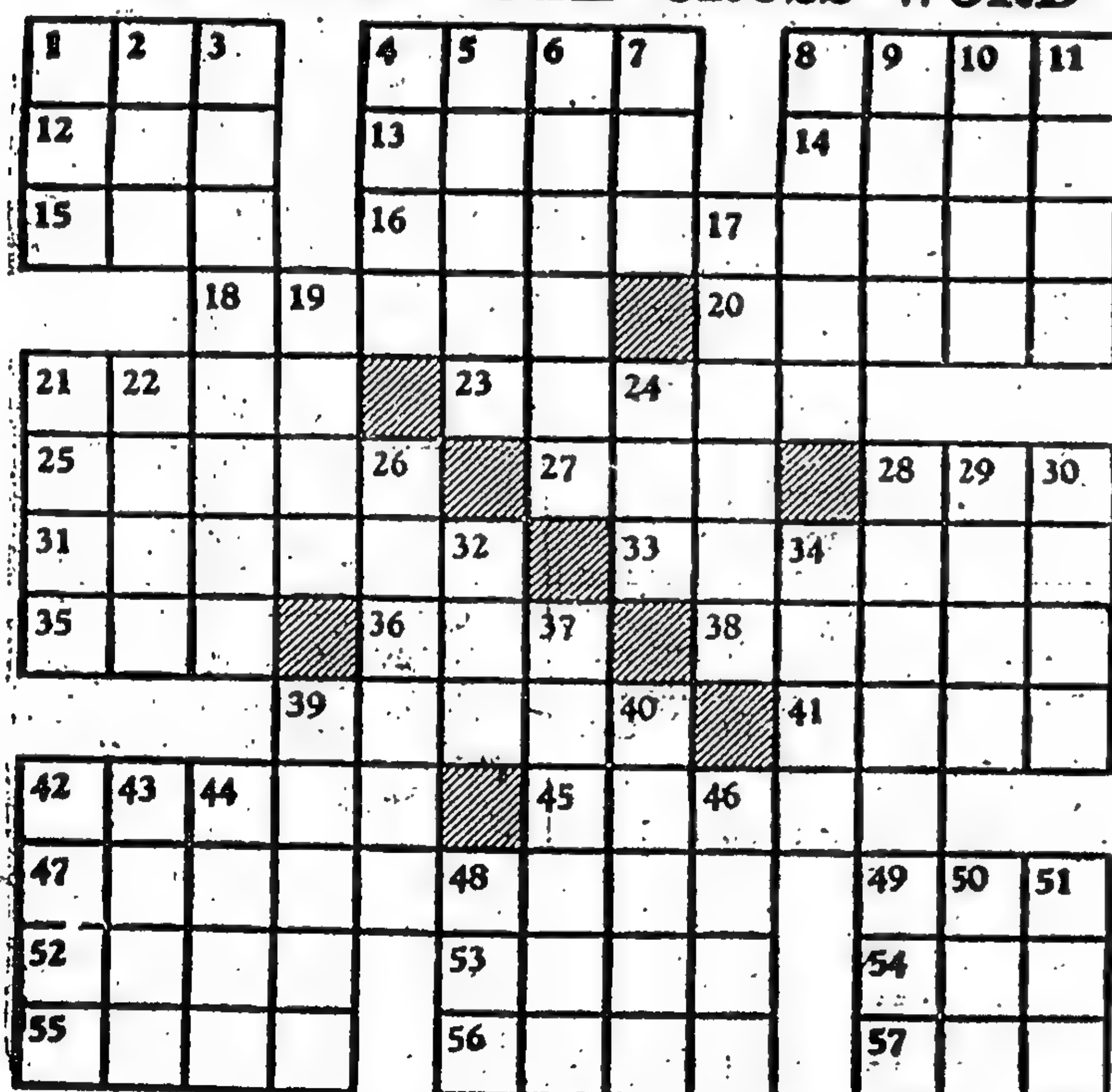
SAN FRANCISCO & LOS ANGELES via Honolulu.
 ASAMA MARU Thursday, 16th Feb.
 TATUTA MARU Wednesday, 1st Mar.
SEATTLE & VANCOUVER (starts from Kobe; convenient connection from Hong Kong)
 HIKAWA MARU (from Kobe) Tuesday, 7th Feb.
NEW YORK via Panama
 *NAKO MARU Tuesday, 7th Feb.
SOUTH AMERICA (West Coast) via Honolulu, Hilo.
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 *ATAGO MARU (from Kobe) Saturday, 25th Feb.
LONDON, MARSEILLES, NAPLES via Suez.
 KATORI MARU Saturday, 11th Feb.
 YASUKUNI MARU Friday, 24th Feb.
 KASIMA MARU Saturday, 11th Mar.
SYDNEY & MELBOURNE via Manila, Davao, Thursday Island and Brisbane.
 KAMO MARU Saturday, 25th Feb.
SYDNEY & MELBOURNE via Saigon, Madang, Salamaua, and Rabaul.
 *M.V. NEPTUNA Saturday, 11th Feb.
BOMBAY via Singapore and Colombo.
 TANGO MARU Thursday, 9th Feb.
RANGOON & CALCUTTA via Singapore
 *TOBA MARU Thursday, 9th Feb.
Kobe & YOKOHAMA
 HAKONE MARU (via Keelung, S'hai) Friday, 10th Feb.
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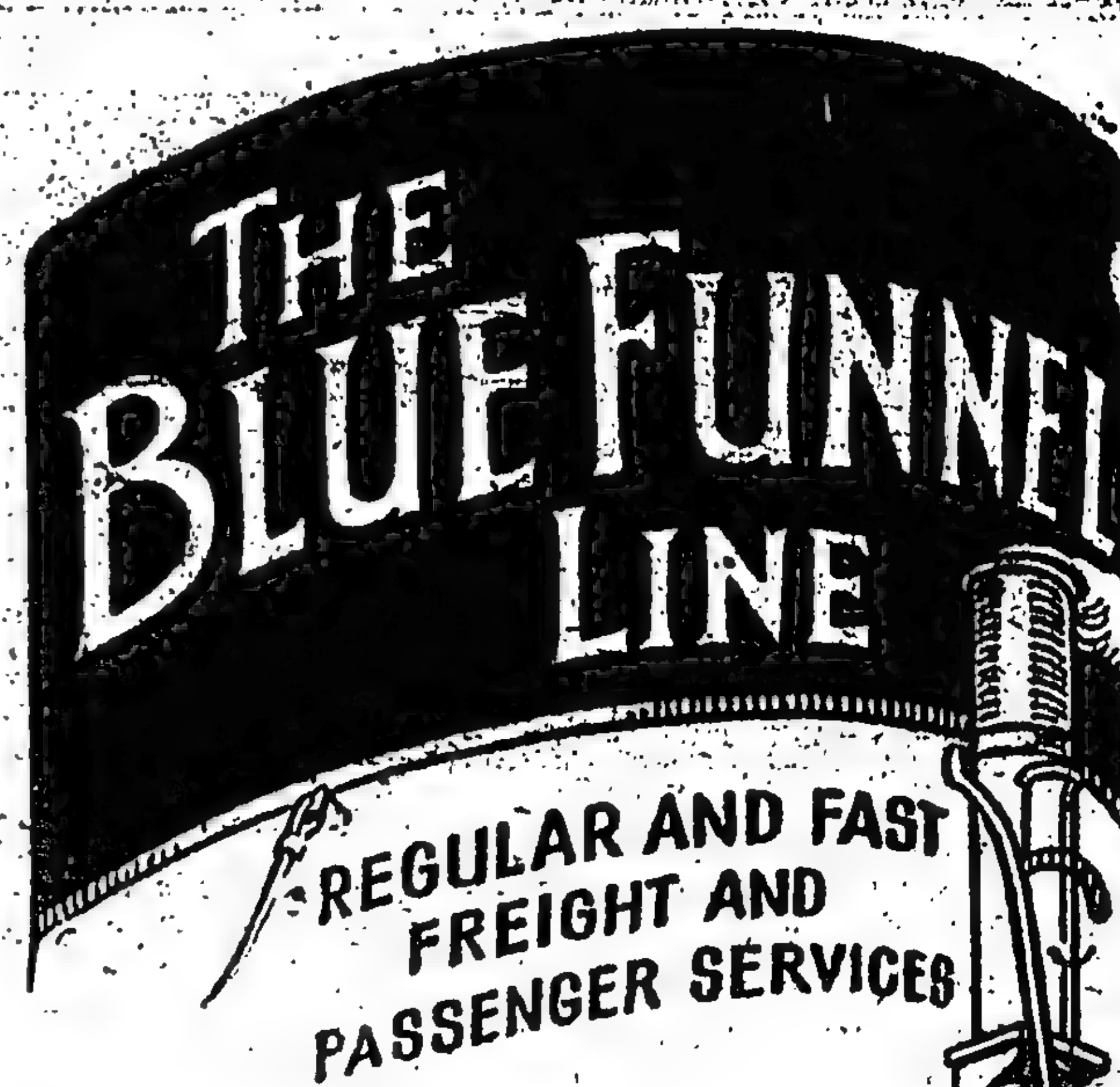
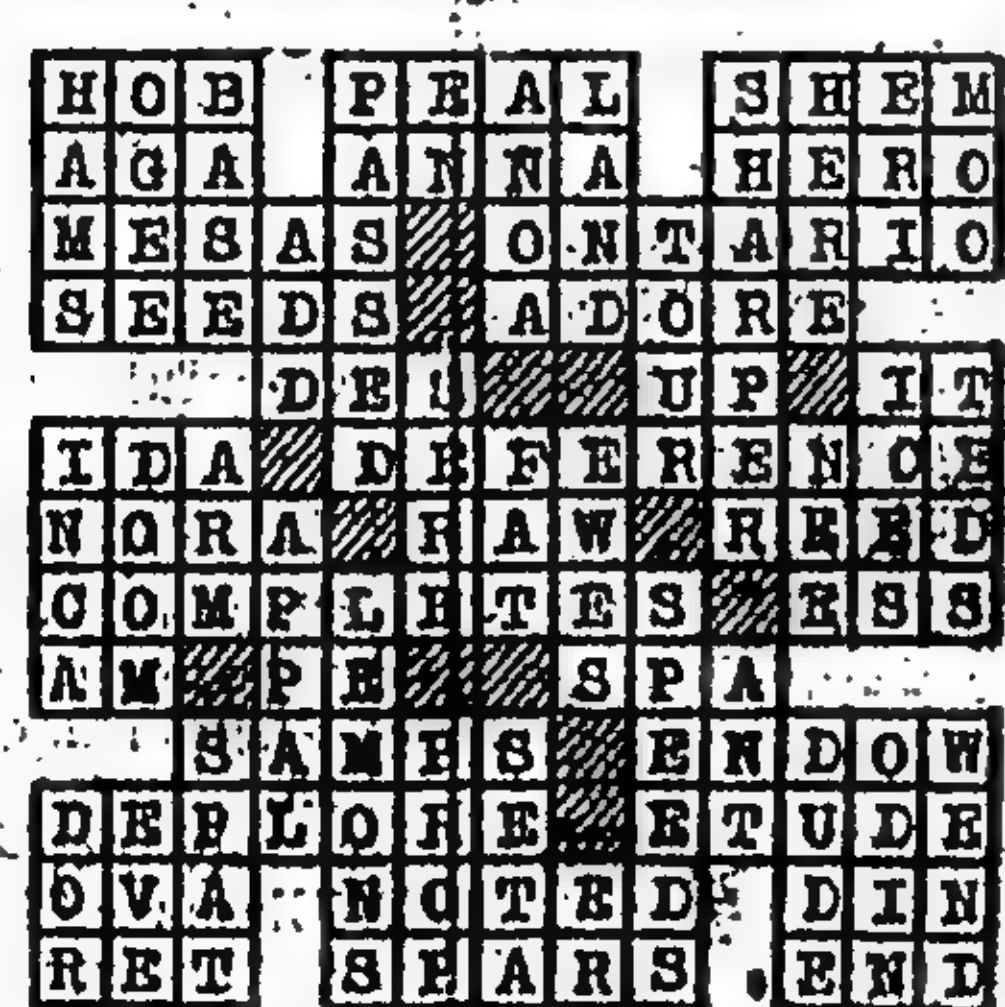
HORIZONTAL

- 1 Canadian moccasin
- 4 Nail
- 8 American bird
- 12 South American Indian
- 13 English river
- 14 To diminish front (mil.)
- 15 Extremity
- 16 To become whole
- 18 Kiln
- 20 Grazes
- 21 Lodged
- 23 Variety of cabbage
- 25 Via
- 27 To involve
- 28 Japanese plant
- 31 Cat
- 33 More shapely
- 35 Foot-like part
- 36 Colloquial head
- 38 Drawing speaker
- 39 Sheer
- 41 Simians

VERTICAL

- 1 The pool in card playing
- 2 Blackbird
- 3 Sophistical
- 4 Conducting wire
- 5 Mad freaks
- 6 Starry
- 7 Tiny
- 8 Atomizer
- 9 Palm leaves
- 10 Roar of surf
- 11 Word of approval
- 17 Searched uncertainly
- 19 Abodes
- 21 Torch
- 22 Century plant
- 24 Norse deity
- 26 Considerate
- 28 Visionaries
- 29 Sandhill (var.)
- 30 Swedish coins
- 32 Mottled wood streak
- 34 Wall
- 37 Parish official
- 39 Fallen angel
- 40 Braid
- 42 To scrutinize
- 43 Sharpening stone
- 44 Proposition
- 46 Roman date
- 48 Pile
- 50 Female ruff
- 51 Goddess of mischief

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Hawaii Maru Thur. 2nd Mar.

BOMBAY & KARACHI via Singapore, Penang and Colombo

Arizona Maru Wed. 5th Apr.

CALCUTTA via Singapore Belawan, Deli & Rangoon

Nissan Maru Sat. 18th Feb.

JAPAN PORTS

Havana Maru Wed. 23rd Feb.

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Canton Maru Tues. 14th Feb.

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Canton Maru Wed. 1st Mar.

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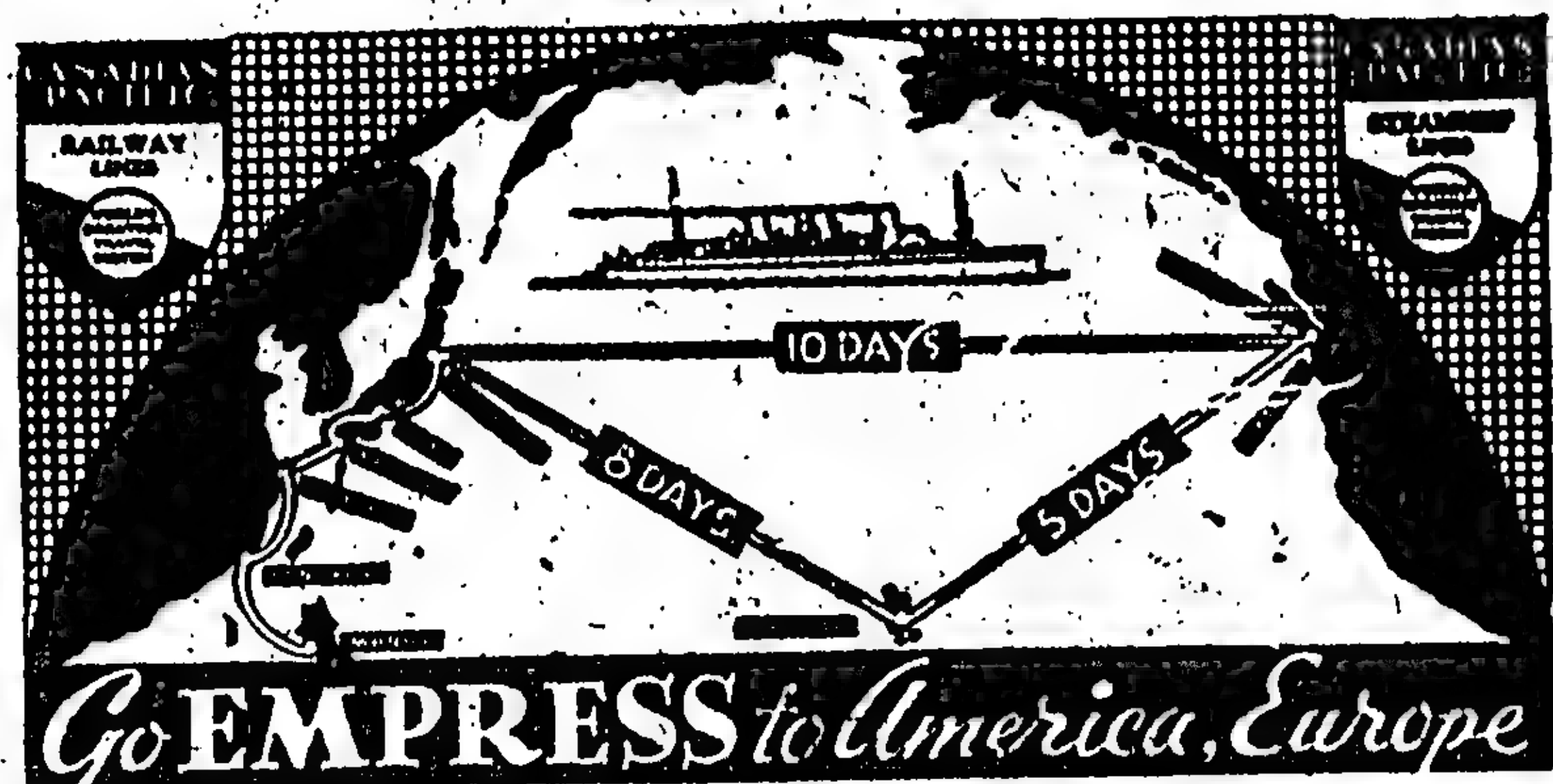
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	Leave	Arrive	Leave	Leave	Leave	Leave	Arrive
Asia	Feb. 8	Feb. 10	Feb. 12	Feb. 14	Feb. 16	—	Feb. 25
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HITLER'S FRIENDS IN BRITAIN

Mr. C. R. Attlee, M.P., Leader of the Opposition, was heckled when he addressed a meeting at Limehouse Town Hall, called to protest against the treatment of Jews, Catholics and others in Germany.

A group in the audience sang the "Horst Wessel" song and exploded stink bombs. Police were called and more than 20 people were escorted from the hall.

WORLD'S FASTEST TORPEDO BOAT

Trials were carried out in Southampton Water recently of a high-speed 70ft motor torpedo-boat, built at a cost of £76,000 by the British Power Boat Company Ltd., Hythe, to the design of Mr. Hubert Scott-Paine, chairman of the company.

It is the fastest vessel of its type in the world, its three 1,000 h.p. engines developing a speed of more than 50 miles an hour, and has a range of approximately 1,000 nautical miles at a cruising speed of 20 knots.

The armament comprises four 18in torpedo tubes, two 20mm guns, and one 25mm gun of the Velfora type. The boat's silence of approach and rapid acceleration were features of the demonstration.

Orders for similar craft have been received from the Dutch and Swedish Governments, and the British Admiralty is also interested in the vessel.

Miss D. Drake, residing at the Arlington Hotel, has reported that at about 9.45 a.m. yesterday, a Chinese snatched her handbag and contents valued at \$112, while she was walking in Mody Road near Hart Avenue.

Mrs. G. Feakes, residing at Harbour View Hotel, has reported that a £5 note was stolen from her room, between 4 p.m. on Saturday and 5 a.m. yesterday.

SOUTH CHINA'S TENNIS WIN OVER VISITORS

Winning two singles and a doubles match, South China Athletic Association beat the visiting Shanghai Chinese Students' tennis team by the odd match in five in a closely contested encounter before a large crowd at King's Park yesterday.

Play was of a good standard and interest was sustained throughout, the meeting being a distinct success. Weather conditions were perfect and helped both sides to give of their best.

This was the tourists' second game. On Saturday they easily overcame University by five matches to nil.

Scores:—

SINGLES

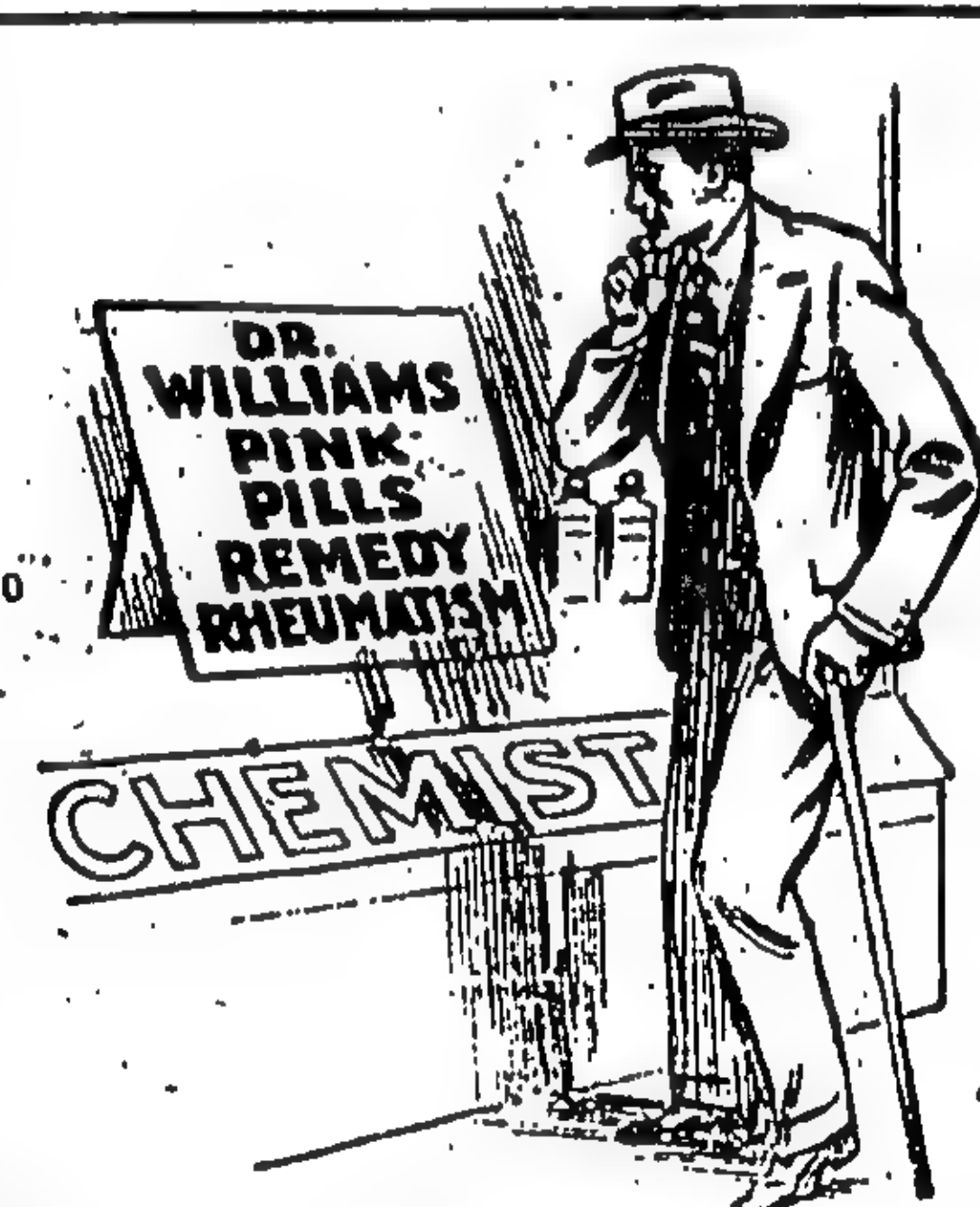
Chan Chi-keung (South China) beat P. K. Tong 6-3, 6-3.
Wong Fuk-lam (South China) lost to K. F. Li 4-6, 1-6.
Albert Chan (South China) beat C. H. Wei 4-6, 6-1, 6-4.

DOUBLES

F. H. Li and M. K. Ma (South China) beat K. H. Tsai and C. H. Wei 4-6, 8-6, 7-5.
Chan Chi-keung and K. F. Li (South China) lost to K. F. Li and P. K. Tong 4-6, 6-3, 1-6.

FRESH; FINE

The Royal Observatory reports that a strong anti-cyclone covers N. China, it is extending eastward to Korea and S.W. Japan. A depression is moving eastward over Central Japan. Forecast:—E. winds, moderate to fresh; fine to cloudy.



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Are you troubled with rheumatism? with neuritis? Like so many people, no doubt you thought little of those early twinges of pain until they became frequent and your general health began to suffer. No doubt, too, you have since tried many remedies to correct the trouble with varying success, but the fact that you still suffer goes to prove that you have not yet succeeded in getting at the basic cause. This lies in the blood stream. Until you have tried Dr. Williams' Pink Pills you have neglected one of the most successful remedies for rheumatism. These pills, by supplying oxygen and iron, definitely increase the red corpuscles and the haemoglobin and rapidly expel from the blood-stream the impurities wherein lie the cause of rheumatism and kindred ailments. No matter how long or how severely you have suffered give Dr. Williams' Pink Pills a trial, you will be gratified at the rapidly beneficial effect of this world renowned blood tonic. Obtainable at all chemists, but be sure to say Dr. Williams' Pink Pills.

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"Hosang" 8th Feb. 2 p.m.

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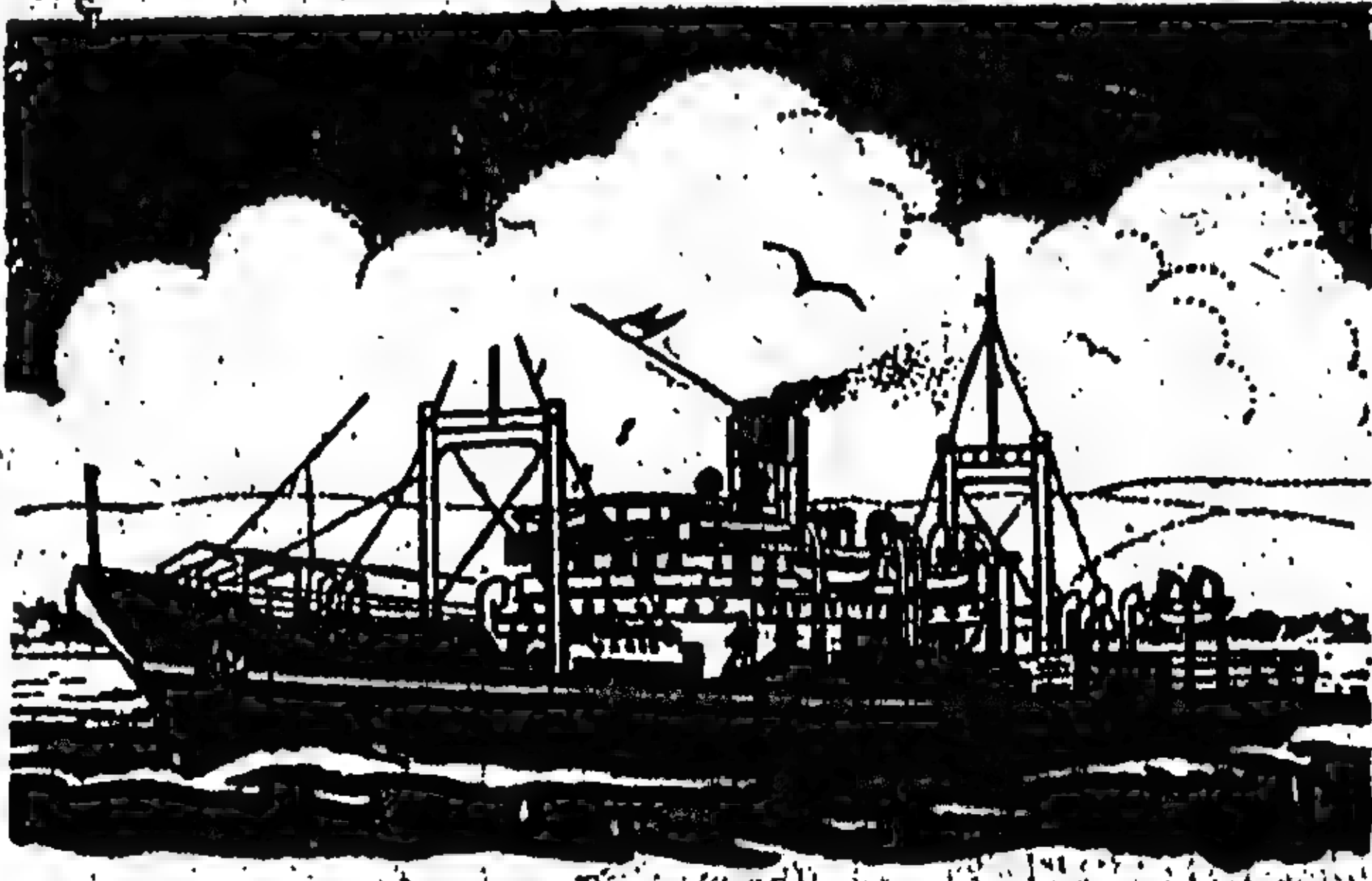
"Chaksang" 15th Feb. Noon

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"Hangsang" 18th Feb. 7 a.m.



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GERMAN BANK BUYS CZECH COAL MINES

Berlin, Yesterday.

The Dresdener Bank has purchased from the Czech Zivnostenska Bank the enormous Bohemian brown coal fields, which since the cession of Sudeten territory had become German.

Payment will be made at two thirds in coal deliveries to Czecho-Slovakia and one third in cash.

The price is not revealed but is believed to be comparatively low since the coalfields had been sold only last summer by the former owners, the Jewish Petschek family to the Zivnostenska Bank at a very low price.

The Petscheks, in anticipation of the Anschluss of Sudeten territory, sold the mines only at a fraction of their value but on condition that the money had to be paid in pounds sterling in London.—Trans-Ocean.

LOCAL SHARES

Following is the list of changes and enquiries in local share quotations this morning:—

BANKS

Hong Kong Bank \$1400 b., \$1420 s.
Bank of East Asia \$81 b.

INSURANCES

Canton Ins. \$210 b., \$220 s.
Union Ins. \$465 b.
China Underwriters 52½ cts. b.
H. K. Fire Ins. \$175 b.

DOCKS, WHARVES, GODOWNS, ETC.

H. K. and K. Wharves \$116 b.
H. K. Docks (Od) \$17.60 b., \$17.60 sa.
H. K. Docks (New) \$16½ b.
Providents (Old) \$6.35 b.
Providents (New) \$6¼ sa.

MINING

Antamoks Ps. 42½ sa.
Atoks Ps. 35½ sa.
Baguio Gold Ps. 26½ sa.
Benguet Consol. Ps. 14.00 sa.
Coco Grove Ps. .0025 sa.
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Demonstrations Ps. .68 sa.
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Paracale Gumaus Ps. 1.72 sa.
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H. K. and S. Hotels \$6.80 b.
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H. K. Tramways \$17.40 b., \$17.40/- 50 sa.
China Lights \$8¼ b., \$8.90 sa.
H. K. Electrics \$58¼ b., \$58¼/8 sa.

Macao Electrics \$17½ b.
Sandakan Lights \$10 b.
Telephones (Old) \$23 b.
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Cements \$15.80 b., \$16 sa.
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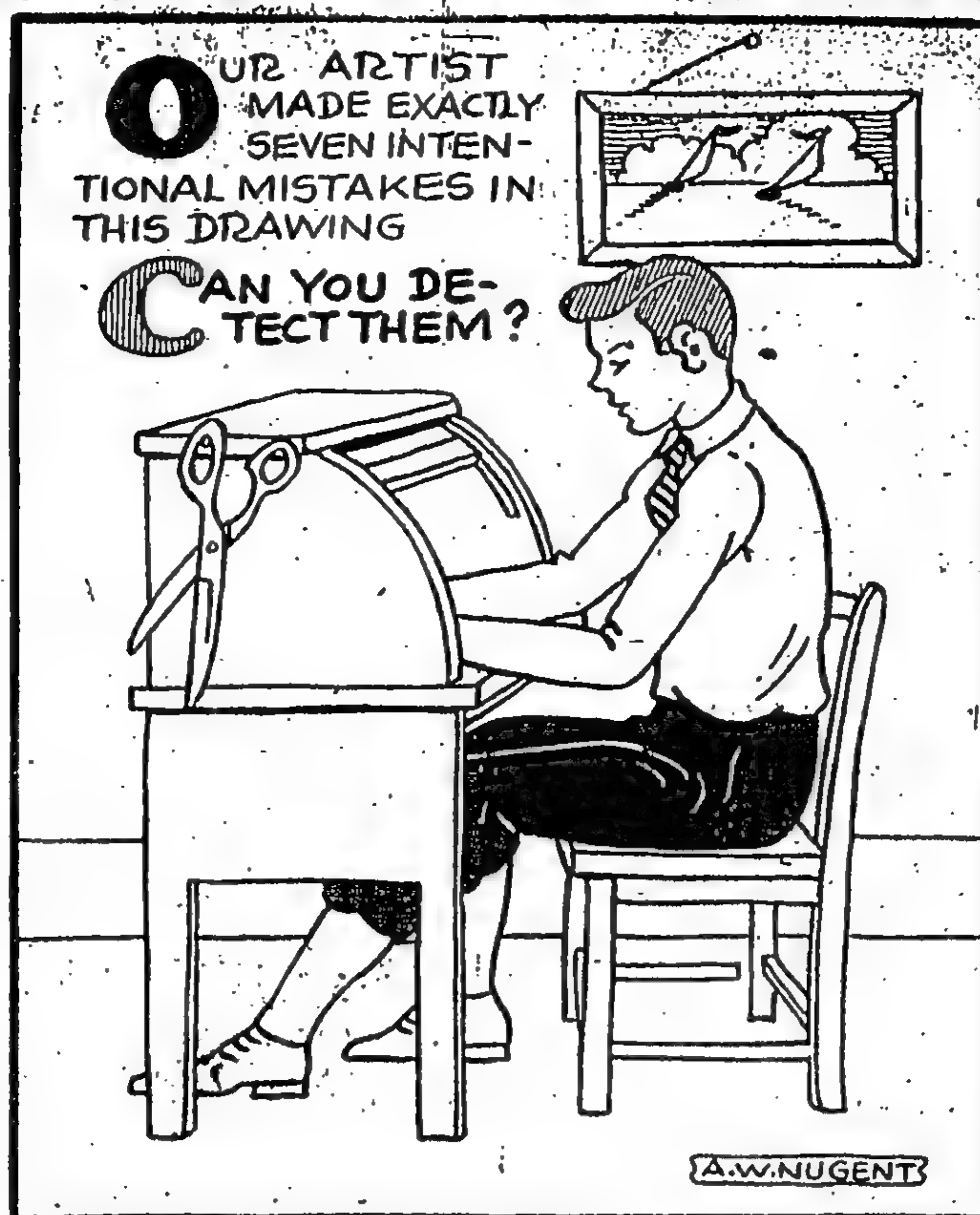
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The demand rate on the Hong Kong dollar to-day was 1—2-13/16. "Spot" silver was quoted in London at 20-1/16 and forward at 19-3/4.

The London on New York rate was quoted at £—U.S.\$4.67.87 and the New York on London rate at \$—U.S.\$4.68.

CHILDREN'S PUZZLE



Answer to Saturday's puzzle:

1—T Square.
2—Crowbar.
Winter has come.

Answer to-morrow.

CHINESE AERIAL ACTIVITY

CHUNGKING, YESTERDAY.
AN ARTILLERY DUEL IS PROCEEDING ACROSS THE YELLOW RIVER BETWEEN THE CHINESE AND JAPANESE FORCES IN THE VICINITY OF TUNGKUAN AND HOTSIN.

Otherwise there is no fresh development reported on the Shan-si front.

A Chinese despatch claims that a squadron of Chinese planes reconnoitred over the Japanese lines along the Peiping-Hankow Railway.

The Chinese planes bombed a Japanese troop concentration as well as the railway bridge at Fengtsun, thereby interrupting traffic on the railway.—Reuter.

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FRENCH PAPER IN ITALIAN

Paris, Yesterday.

A new newspaper in the Italian language will begin publication on February 15 in Tunis.

The paper will be titled "Il Giornale," and will set itself the task of "disseminating impartial information and serving as a propaganda organ for democratic ideals."

In French circles it is declared that the new paper is intended to

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CHINA'S HEAVY ORE EXPORT IN '38

Shanghai, Yesterday.

Mineral ores to the value of \$106,500,000 were exported from China during 1938, representing an increase of four million dollars compared with the previous year and of fifty million dollars compared with 1936.

These figures have been obtained from Chinese sources.

With the organisation, during the later part of last year, of numerous mining companies in the South-Western provinces of China, it is expected that the current year will see a still further rise in the export of Chinese mineral ore.

Significance of this lies in the fact that increased export has been achieved despite the fact that as a result of the hostilities, China has lost some of its biggest iron ore mines, notably the Tayeh Mines near Hankow, which are claimed to be the largest single iron ore mining unit in China.—Trans-Ocean.

help to develop good relations among various sections of the population of Tunis independently of their origin. No attempt is made to conceal the fact that an effort will be made by means of this paper to counteract the influence of the press in the Italian language in Tunis, hitherto conducted in the spirit of Fascism.—Trans-Ocean.

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Keener Competition For Derby Honours This Year

Mr. Moller Making Another Determined Challenge

Eight Candidates Make Favourable Impression

(By "RAPIER")

WITHIN the space of three weeks, the curtain will be raised on another year of racing activities. Preparations for the 1939 Annual Race Meeting are now well advanced, and, judging by the very satisfactory entries received, there is every reason to anticipate that this year's meeting will be just as successful, if it does not actually surpass any of its predecessors.

The Annual Race Meeting has always been regarded as an event of outstanding importance in sporting circles—in fact, it is the peer of them all—and, remembering the increased interest displayed by the public in the closing stages of last year, I have no doubt that the attendance this year will exceed all expectations.

I am glad to be in a position again to furnish information for the benefit of readers of the "China Mail", but before doing so, I would like to emphasise the fact that the views which I express now can only be regarded as tentative, for the simple reason that, until only recently, ponies on the whole have not been given really hard work. No real definite judgment can be formed until probably a week before the meeting, at least not until after the various stable jockeys have had an opportunity of trying out their respective mounts in real earnest. For the time being I must content myself by merely giving expression to observations gained as a result of constant attendance at the Valley during morning training, leaving information of a more definite character until later on.

The Hong Kong Derby being the most important event of the year, the burning question in racing circles is naturally confined to speculation as to which pony is likely to win the Blue Riband. Winning this race is without doubt the ambition of every owner with the necessary means to acquire animals of outstanding ability, and in some cases small fortunes have been spent in the hope of winning the Derby.

At this stage, I believe that the race is very open. In contrast to last year, when there were actually only three prominent contenders, the race this year will probably find at least eight ponies having a big say in the result, unless the really outstanding ones assert themselves before long. With interest centred on the Derby, I will first of all confine myself with a discussion of the relative merits of the new Griffins China ponies, leaving the others to be dealt with in subsequent articles.

CIRE STABLE

Commencing with the stable which provided the 1938 Derby winner, i.e. Silky Light, from the looks of his two new candidates, it seems quite evident that Mr. Moller is going to make determined effort to win the Derby for the second year in succession. He has named his two ponies Navy Light and Army Light, and, judging from appearance, and its trial performance last Saturday, I am inclined to believe that Mr. Moller will depend on Navy Light to carry his colours in the great race. Last Saturday morning, Navy Light was given a slow mile and a quarter run, which it covered in 3-01 2/5 with a last quarter of 28.4, which certainly served as a glimpse of what it may be capable of doing in actual running. Army-



Mr. R. B. Moller's Silky Light, which made a clean sweep last year by winning the Maiden Stakes, the Champions, the Derby, the Autumn Champions and the St. Leger, is seen above being led in by its owner and Miss Moller after winning the Derby.

Light appears to me to be somewhat young, but there is no doubt whatever that this pony will ultimately develop into a fine pony, so watch out for it.

EU TONG-SEN STABLE

Mr. Eu Tong-Sen has no less than 10 ponies entered for the forthcoming Annual Race Meeting, and they are named as follows:—Rose Fiana, Rose Emily, Rose Charming, Rose Supreme, Grey Knight, Morning Glory, English Cavalier, Prince Charming, Rose Elect and Blue Express.

Rose Elect is undoubtedly the best among the bunch, not only in appearance, but on its work in training. It has been credited with a mile in 2-03 3/5, with a last quarter of 29.3.

This pony has a beautiful action, and seems to like running, but without in any way appearing to belittle its chances in the Derby, I cannot help feeling that it may not have the requisite stamina to last out the mile and a half. For any distance up to a mile, it will be most difficult to beat, and if I could feel confident that it could stand up to the strain of a gruelling race, I would have no hesitation in looking on it as the potential Derby winner. However, I may be wrong, but at the moment I believe that Rose Elect is not built powerfully enough to prove really dangerous in a long race.

In case Rose Elect should not come up to expectations, then Mr. Eu Tong-Sen will have to rely on Blue Express, which is about the next best. It will be recalled that Mr. Eu Tong-Sen made a brilliant attempt to win the Derby last year with Desert Chief, and, with such a large number of new griffins at his disposal, it is obviously his intention to make another grand effort to win this classic event, which has eluded him for so long.

DUNBAR STABLE

Mr. Dunbar had Confusion Bay for the Derby last year, and it finished third. This year he has three new griffins, i.e. Anna Bay, Egmont Bay and Galveston Bay. I expect Galveston Bay will be the ultimate choice to represent him, as to my mind it is the

best among the three. At the moment the pony is moving along quite nicely, and more will be heard of it in due course.

Mrs. Dunbar has named her nomination Papoose, and Sir V. M. Grayburn has Avon to carry his colours. Both of them cannot be treated as outstanding and I cannot expect them to prove dangerous.

MARBER STABLE

Taking up racing only a few years ago, when he had a share in Royal Scot, Mr. B. W. Bradbury has this year gone into the racing game on a fairly big scale, with four ponies entered for the meeting, i.e. Viber, Lilliber, Mayber and Bessiber, and any one of them will be Mr. Donald Black's mount in the Derby. It is, of course, known that Viber is a kept-over pony, and from what I have seen of it, I cannot really rely too much on its ability.

The best pony is undoubtedly Lilliber, and in this nice looking animal, Mr. Bradbury has a representative which could quite conceivably carry his colours to victory.

It has a sporting chance, and that is about all I can say of it at the moment. A great deal was expected from Bessiber, but for some reason or other, it became ill and it was only recently that it came out of the walking list.

KONG BROS. STABLE

Messrs. Kong Bros. have two griffins, Lovely Star and Forgotten Star. They were, in fact, last year's ponies, having been kept over, and I like Forgotten Star the best, although I cannot see it coming in among the placed ponies in the Derby.

EVE STABLE

Having disposed of their old ponies, The Eve Stable have two new griffins, name Eve of Harvest and Eve of Heaven. Eve of Harvest appears to be the more powerful of the two, and in my estimation it is a potential danger. This pony looks to me as having the necessary stamina—a most important factor in a long race—and I shall not be far wrong in stating that it will

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Disappointing Hockey At Sookunpoo

ALEX. AIROSA, L. COSTA AND DATTA RAM IN LIMELIGHT

(By "STICKS")

ALEX AIROSA, at centre-half, and L. Costa, at left-back, for Macao, and Datta Ram, at left-back for the Army, gave brilliant performances yesterday afternoon on the Army ground at Sookunpoo where Army entertained the Macao Hockey Club in a return encounter and shared two goals after a fast and interesting encounter.

The match never reached great heights and most of the action was confined to midfield, but there were several thrilling raids by both sets of forwards, although on the whole of the attacking lines were disappointing, except in the earlier stages of the game when we witnessed some concerted movements.

Alex Airoso, Macao's pivot, took the major honours and gave a magnificent exhibition of spoiling and distribution, in addition to scoring Macao's goal. His energy was unlimited and he was here, there and everywhere at the same time and, as one spectator put it, "There must be two Alex. Airoso's on display this afternoon."

Datta Ram, Army left-back, gave a very fine exhibition and cleared his line at the first opportunity. He received a good measure of support from Carter, the right-back, who was, however, not up to his usual standard.

ARMY'S ERROR

Pritam Nath, Nerain Singh and Partaub Singh, probable Colony forwards, did not shine and it was not until late in the second half that Partaub made his presence felt with two daring dribbles almost to Almada's feet.

Army made the mistake of including Lt. Indarjit Singh at inside right, for he spoiled their movements by retaining the ball much too long before distributing, thus giving Macao's defenders time to cover up. His marksmanship was poor and although he netted Army's goal in the first five minutes of the game, he was extremely lucky to have got away with it as it looked very much like "sticks."

Drum-Major Degnan, who played for Army against Club last Wednesday in the Triangular Tournament was the logical choice following his brilliant display that day, but he was omitted.

HOOK OFF FORM

Hook, another potential Interporter and one of 15 players selected travel to Macao, was not at his best and probably had one of his off-days, although he put in a tremendous amount of work in spoiling.

There was, however, too much bad timing in clearances and passes and the Macao visitors took full advantage of this and in the losing minutes were on top of Army's defence. Fraser and Austen, Army's wing-halves, worked very hard, but were a trifle slow in distributing and were often robbed of the ball, although both pulled their weight in the closing minutes when Macao threatened to score.

SPLENDID UNDERSTANDING

Macao supplied us with the tit-bit of the afternoon, their halves and forwards working with splendid co-ordination. Everyone kept to his position and consequently there was little over-crowding.

A. Angelo, the left-winger,



made a bad blunder when he shot straight at Osman in the last minutes of the game.

On the whole, the score of one all was a fair indication of the run of the play.

Macao: Almada; R. Rosario and L. Costa (Captain); J. Nolasco, Alex. Airoso, and J. Santos Ferreira; F. Nolasco, Alberto Airoso, P. Angelo, Hugo Rosario and Amikar Angelo.

Army: Pte. Osman (R.A.O.C.); L/Bdr. Carter (R.A.) and L/Nk. Datta Ram (Rajputs); L/Sgt. Fraser (R. Scots), Lt. Hook (R.A.) and L/Cpl. Austen (R. C. Signals); Hav. Shah Wali (Rajputs), Lt. Indarjit Singh (Rajputs), Lt. Pritam Nath (Rajputs), L/Nk. Nerain Singh (Kumaons) and Rfm. Partaub Singh (Kumaons).

YESTERDAY'S HOCKEY GAME BY THE CLOCK

FIRST HALF

- 4th Lt. Indarjit Singh scored Army's first goal from oblique angle.
- 7th Datta Ram saved certain goal from hit by Rosario.
- 10th Almada stopped ball from short corner taken by Datta Ram.
- 19th Alex. Airoso equalised for Macao when he intercepted free hit taken by F. Nolasco and scored.
- 21st Osman made two rapid saves from short corners.
- 27th Partaub nearly scored, but Almada stopped rising ball with hand to prevent score.

SECOND HALF

- 8th Partaub broke through and centred across goalmouth, but Pritam Nath was not quite there.
- 15th Nerain Singh broke through and reverse-sticked, but Almada saved brilliantly.
- 22nd Pritam Nath skied ball over bar from three yards from centre by Shah Wali.
- 32nd A. Angelo snapped up pass from right-wing and cut in towards goal, but his parting shot from point-blank range was stopped by Osman.

W. J. S. Key and J. S. Dunnett have reached the final of the Royal Hong Kong Golf Club Captain's Cup Competition (1938).

RACING

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probably be among the first three at the end of the race. Eve of Heaven does not appear too fit, although it is a fine looking animal.

LAN STABLE

Mr. Li Lan Sang will be represented by Harmony View (late Harmony Eve), Hectic Eve and Peaceful View. They were all taken over from the Eve Stable, and I consider Peaceful View the best. I don't think it is strong enough for the Derby, but it will certainly prove a source of danger in sprint events.

LI PO CHUN STABLE

Mr. Li Po Chun has three new griffins—Spring Time, For All Time and Conquering Time. The best is Conquering Time, which is a fierce looking animal, and, in my view, this pony is going to have a say in the ultimate destination of the Blue Riband.

It recently went over the Derby distance in 3:54 4/5, with a last quarter of 28.3, and it will not surprise me in the least to see it doing well in all races in which it appears.

The Roda Stable have entered three new ponies—Lady Love, Lusitania and Factorite, and among them I like Lady Love the best.

Mrs. T. E. Pearce has Hyndford Bridge, which has had the benefit of hard training for over a year. In appearance it is properly seasoned, with powerful muscles, and it has invariably done well over the last quarter run. Hyndford Bridge will no doubt be Mr. Needa's mount for the Derby, and I recommend bearing it in mind as being one of the best.

At one time it was thought that Victoria, owned by Mrs. Holmes, had a good chance of doing well in the Derby, but I understand that it has been on the walking list for some time, and even if it should recover in time, it will not be quite fit for the big race.

At this stage, I can safely say that the following are the best among this year's lot of new griffins, and one of them will be the Derby winner:

EVE OF HARVEST
GALVESTON BAY
LILLIBER
ROSE ELECT
BLUE EXPRESS
CONQUERING TIME
HYNDFORD BRIDGE
NAVYLIGHT.

As intensive training progresses, I hope to be able to give more definite information later on.

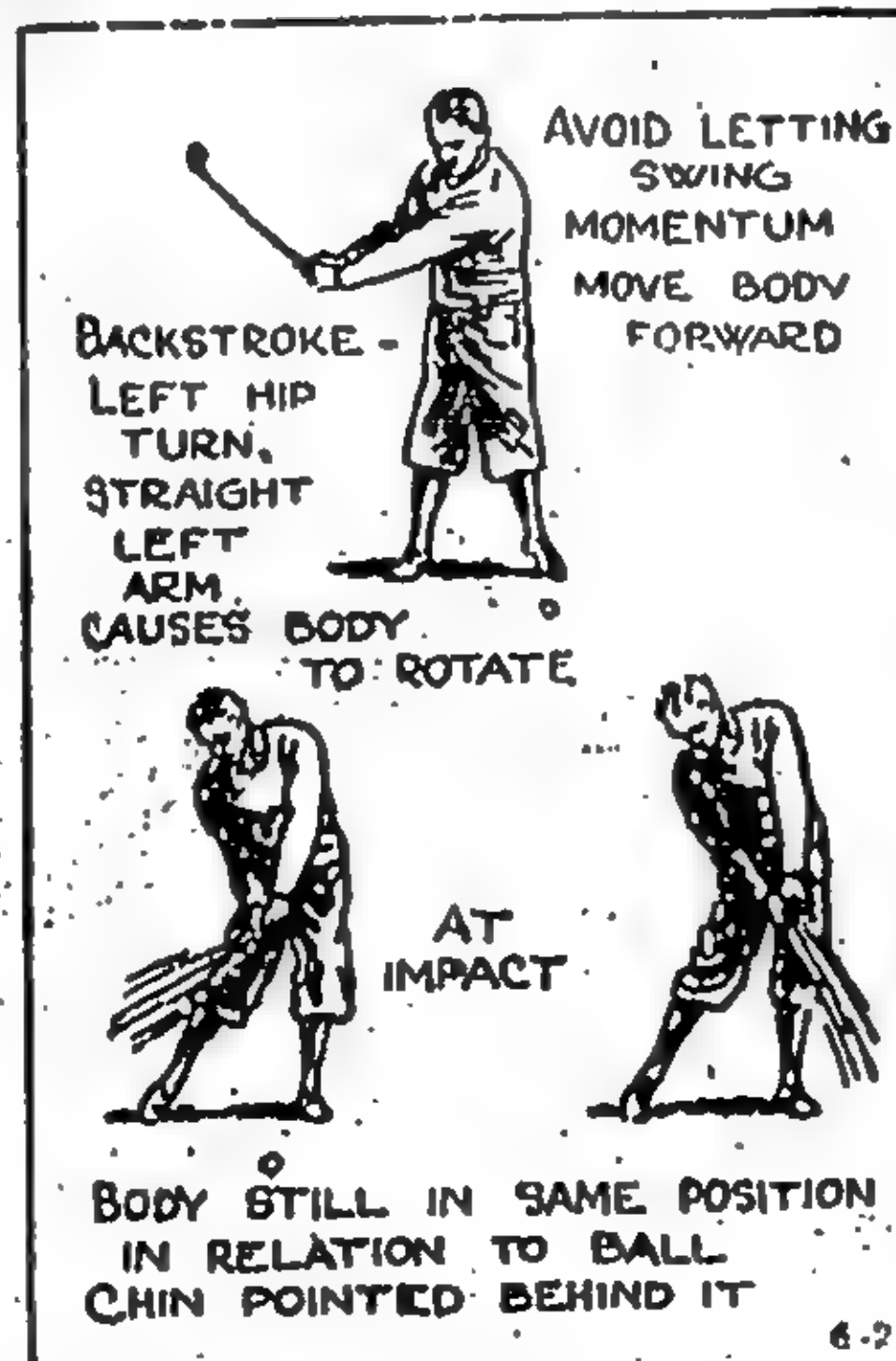
Faults To Avoid

By BEST BALL

Among the many factors a golfer must avoid if he is intent on perfecting his golf stroke are: (1) keep the body down to the ball at impact and not raised up and thus destroy the accuracy of the club-head's arc; (2) resist the tendency of the swinging momentum to move the body ahead so that at impact one is forward of the position occupied at address. Let the body move freely beneath the head and keep the chin pointed back of

must maintain, to allow the clubhead to describe an accurate arc as it comes down to the ball. Wednesday—Watch Right Elbow.

GRAPHIC GOLF



the ball. This applies to both the up and down-strokes. The left arm and the left hip combine to take the club back, the body rotating to the right with the motion easily while the head remains still. There should be no symptoms of a sway back any more than there should be a sway forward on the down-stroke. Such movements ruin the constant position the body

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Navy Rugby Fifteen To Meet Malaya

There has been one change made in the Royal Navy Rugby fifteen to meet the Malayan Rugby Union fifteen to-morrow afternoon on the Club ground, commencing at 4.30 p.m.

Sub. Lt. Culmer, of H.M.S. Suffolk, is unable to play and Lt. Boddington, who has played almost throughout the season for Navy in

the Triangular Tournament, will fill the vacancy.

The following is the revised team: Paym.-Lt. Stevens (Kent); F. O. Thomas (Eagle), P. O. Askwith (Dainty), Lt. Skelton (Grampus) and Pay. Lt. Spittle (Suffolk); Lt. W. Elliot (Eagle) (Capt.) and Lt. Talbot (Otus); Lt. Sea, Romans (Eagle), Shpt. Staples (Eagle), A. B. Thatcher (Eagle), Sub. Lt. (A) Hain (Eagle), Lt. Boddington (Rover); Lt. Darling (Rover), Lt. Griffiths (Medway) and Lt. I. M. Anderson (Olympus).



ANGLO-S. AFRICAN COLONY TENNIS TEST

Durban, To-day.

The following were the results of the second day's matches held on Saturday, between South Africa and Britain:

Results were:
V. G. Kirby (S. Africa) beat E. J. Filby 6-4, 7-5.

Norman Farquharson and Mrs. E. L. Miller (S. Africa) beat D. W. Butler and Miss Valerie Scott 6-3, 2-6, 6-3.

Mrs. R. D. McKelvie (G.B.) beat Miss Margaret Morphey 6-1, 7-5.

N. Farquharson and V. G. Kirby (S. Africa) beat R. A. Shaves and D. W. Butler 3-6, 6-1, 7-5.

The singles match between Norman Farquharson and R. A. Shaves, which was interrupted last Friday, will conclude to-day.—Reuter.

BADMINTON CHAMPIONSHIPS

Entry forms for the Hong Kong Badminton Championships have now been out almost a week, and as yet only one entry has been received for the men's doubles.

As the closing date for entries has been definitely fixed for Monday, February 13, players are urgently requested to send in their entries immediately.

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Fairy Auk Wins Main Event

Lucky Day Pays \$188.30 For A Win

Glorious weather prevailed at the Macao Races yesterday when a large gathering of racing fans attended and were treated to an excellent afternoon's sport.

Fairy Auk (Mr. A. W. Raymond) won the main event of the afternoon, the Chunghua Handicap, with Merry Maker taking second place. Lucky Day paid the highest dividend of the afternoon when it paid \$188.30 for a win and \$21 for a place.

Results were:

Pleasant Quarters Handicap. Once Round.

Mr. Sports' Rothesay Bay (Mr. P. L. Chiu) 1

Mr. J. H. Potts' Victory Life (Mr. H. J. A. Hearne) 2

Mr. H. C. McComb's Hogmanay (Mr. Y. T. Wei) 3

Distance won: 1/2 length, A length.

Time: 26.1/5, 1.00.3/5, 1.35.3/5, 2.10.3/5.

Pari-Mutuel: Winner, \$31.20. Places, \$6.00, \$6.30, \$6.50.

Cash Sweep

No. 433 \$224.20

" 83 64.00

" 213 32.00

Unplaced: Nos. 54, 21 and 170 (\$10.00 each).

The Republican Handicap. (First Section). Once Round.

Mr. Chanoi's National Dignity (Mr. S. L. Yuen) 1

Mr. C. S. W's Mac's Adventure (Mr. Y. T. Wei) 2

Mr. Onesome's Stymie (Mr. A. Raymond) 3

Distance won: 1 1/2 lengths. Short Head.

Time: .24, 57.3/5, 1.32, 2.05.4/5.

Pari-Mutuel: Winner, \$34.10. Places, \$11.00, \$9.40.

Cash Sweep

No. 194 \$267.90

" 106 76.50

" 311 38.20

Unplaced: Nos. 35 and 286 (\$15.00 each).

The Kuo Hua Handicap. Five Furlongs.

Mr. L. W. F's Gold Sovereign (Mr. C. F. Chiu) 1

Mr. Oliver's Double Chance (Mr. G. R. Payne) 2

Mr. J. M. Smith's Meteor (Mr. K. I. Ip) 3

Distance won: Many lengths. A Neck.

Time: .15, 45.2/5, 1.15.4/5.

Pari-Mutuel: Winner, \$12.90. Places, \$6.20, \$9.10, \$6.60.

Cash Sweep

No. 515 \$301.00

" 570 86.00

" 182 43.00

Unplaced: Nos. 123, 391 and 136 (\$10.00 each).

The Republican Handicap. (Second Section). Once Round.

Mr. H. C. McComb's Persian Cat (Mr. W. Cooper) 1

Mr. O-Moon's Cloudy Star (Mr. H. J. A. Hearne) 2

Mr. C. S. W's Iron Knight (Mr. Y. T. Wei) 3

Distance won: A length, 1 1/2 lengths.

Times: .28, 1.04, 1.38.1/5, 2.10.3/5.

Pari-Mutuel: Winner, \$28.70. Places, \$13.20, \$10.20.

Cash Sweep

No. 158 \$344.60

" 647 98.40

" 349 49.20

Unplaced: Nos. 118 and 26 (\$15.00 each).

The Chunghua Cup. One Mile.

Mrs. Gellion's Fairy Auk (Mr. A. Raymond) 1

Mr. F. J. Gellion's Merry Maker (Mr. H. J. A. Hearne) 2

Mr. J. M. Braga's Fairy Ousel (Mr. S. L. Yuen) 3

Distance won: 1/2 length, A length.

Time: .38, 1.10, 1.42, 2.18.3/5.

Pari-Mutuel: Winner, \$7.80. Places, \$6.10, \$10.50, \$11.80.

Cash Sweep

No. 41710 \$9,833.50

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" 41686 1,393.40

Unplaced and non-starters: Nos. 17031, 41249, 07595, 17751, 18449, 21866, 49562, 38126, 45115, 05378, 21587, 46754 and 30016 (\$108.90 each).

The Ladies' Handicap. (Unofficial). Half a Mile.

Miss B. Lord's Lucky Day (Mrs. Cooper) 1

Miss B. Lord's Cricketer (Miss J. Old) 2

Miss B. Lord's Latitat



Eastern Eliminate S. China 'B'

Hau Ching-To Shines In Shield Clash

Eastern qualified for the Semi-Final Round of the Senior Shield when they defeated South China 'B' by 4 goals to 2, in their replay on the Club ground yesterday.

Hau Ching-to was in great form and scored two good goals and was instrumental in the others.

In spite of being assisted by A. V. Gosano and N. Beltrao, the Saints lost to Kwong Wah by the odd goal in three. Lai Kwok-kee, in Kwong Wah's goal, played the best game this season and brought off many good saves during the closing minutes of the game.

In the first game of the Third Division Championship, Royal Scots beat Air Force by 4 goals to 2.

The game was evenly contested and the standard of football was very high. An injury to Froude, the Airmen's centre-forward, in the second half, greatly handicapped them.

Mr. Phillips officiated in place of Mr. Stone who failed to put in an appearance.

YESTERDAY'S RESULTS AND SCORERS

SHIELD REPLAY (SECOND ROUND)

Eastern 4 South China 'B' 2 (Hau Ching-to (2), (Yeung Shui-yick Chan Bing-to and and Lau Chung-Lee Tak-kee).

FIRST DIVISION

Navy 6 Royal Scots 0

(MacVicar (2), Thorburn (2), Armstrong and Morrill).

Kwong Wah 2 St. Joseph's 1 (Cheuk Shek-kam (Alves).

and Chow Man-chi).

SECOND DIVISION

Engineers 6 Police 1

(Lowe, Denyer Fox (Lau Yau). (3), and Thomas).

Eastern 2 Kwong Wah 5

(Cheng Shui-hon (Chow W. Wing-hung, Lau Wing-kui, H. Young & Fook-yuen).

THIRD DIVISION "A"

Engineers 1 Kitchee 2

(Chen-wei). (Kwan Kong-hung and Ip Kwok-ying).

THIRD DIVISION (CHAMPIONSHIP)

Royal Scots 4 Air Force 2

(Garrie (3) and (Saunders and Kane). Moore).

(Mrs. Bedell) 3

Distance won: 2 lengths, 3 lengths.

Time: .31, 1.04.

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" 324 \$100.88

" 2 50.10

Unplaced: No. 148 (\$20.00).



Mr. Street, Australia's Minister for Defence, is also a member of the Melbourne Cricket Club and recently played in a match between their team, captained by the former Test batsman, W. H. Ponsford, against Fremantle. Photo shows—Mr. Street, the Minister for Defence, prepares to take the field for the Melbourne team.

SATURDAY'S RUGBY GAME BY THE CLOCK

3rd Watson gave Club lead with penalty goal.

8th Simpson scored unconverted try to level scores.

23rd McHugh scored unconverted try from lineout to give Malaya lead.

25th Lundon tore muscle in leg and left field.

32nd Hutchison's dropped goal gives Club 7-6 lead.

35th Chadwick over for Club, who led 10-6 at interval.

SECOND HALF

7th 1/Cpl. Richardson scored unconverted try for Malaya.

12th Ewart scored from good opening by Proctor, Harper majorises.

17th Lyle put knee out and left field.

20th Lyle returned to field.

21st Grieve sends Bidwell over for score, which Watson converts.

25th Hutchison drops another goal. Club lead 14-9.

29th Proctor scores try and Harper adds points to level scores.



K. C. C. TENNIS PLAYERS TO MEET SHANGHAI CHINESE

The following have been selected to represent Kowloon Cricket Club at tennis against the visiting Shanghai Chinese students at K.C.C. on Thursday at 4 p.m.: E. Fincher, A. E. P. Guest, A. Crawford, S. A. Gray and G. C. Burnett.

YESTERDAY'S SOFTBALL RESULTS

MEN'S LEAGUE

Recreio 20 Canadian Chinese 11. Filipinos 4 Trojans 1. C.B.A. 19 Machine Gunners 6. Forum 4 St. Joseph's 3.

WOMEN'S LEAGUE

Filipinos 17 Cubs 16. Wahos 12 Pirates 6.

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NAVY EASILY BEAT H.K.N.V.R. AT CRICKET

In a friendly game of cricket yesterday at King's Park, Royal Navy beat the Naval Volunteers by 6 wickets.

Scores were:

H.K.N.V.R.: 198 for 9 dec. (G. J. P. Carey 30, L. D. Kilbee 32, F. Baker 36, C. M. Stark 36, J. B. Monahan 23; Lt. Cdr. Finnie 3 for 35, Lt. Rankin 3 for 41, Seal 2 for 36).

R. Navy: 237 for 7 (Capt. Whitmarsh retired 73, Sub. Lt. Sandeman-Al-len 56, Mid. Brownrigg 22 not out, Lt. Rankin 20, Lt. Beaumont 17, Lt. Carver 17; C. M. Stark 4 for 70).

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Sitson Ma And
Miss Si Kui Ma

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12.00-12.20 p.m.—Relay of Service of Intercession from St. John's Cathedral.

12.30 p.m.—Damia (Vocal) with Gerry Moore (Piano) and His Orchestra. Keep A Twinkle In Your Eye—Quickstep (from 'Blackbirds of 1936').
Dream Awhile—Slow Fox-Trot. Gerry Moore (Piano) in Strict Dance Tempo.
Complainte De Mackie (Mauprey-Weill).
Ce N'est Pas Toujours Drole (Peres and van Parys).
Damia (Vocal) with Orchestra Cond. by Pierre Chagnon. (Sung in French).
Quickstep—Medley.
Intro: I can dream, can't I; One Song; If Dreams come true.
Slow Fox-Trot Medley.
Intro: Serenade to the Stars; Sweet as a song.
Gerry Moore (Piano with drums).
Tu Ne Sais Pas Aimer, Waltz (Aubret and Zoka).
Damia (Vocal) with Orchestra cond. by Pierre Chagnon. (Sung in French).

Always and Always—Fox-Trot (film 'Mannequin').
Ti-Pi-Tin—Fox-Trot.
Gerry Moore and His Rhythm.
1.00 p.m.—Local Time Signal and Weather Report.
1.03 p.m.—Hawaiian Music.
1.30 p.m.—Reuter and Rugby Press, Weather Forecast and Announcements.
1.40 p.m.—Alfredo and His Orchestra with Lillian Harvey (Soprano). Russian Gipsy Sketch (A. Ferraris); Tell Me Again (Grosz)... Alfredo & His Orchestra with Vocal Refrain.
But For You (film 'The Only Girl'); There's Magic In The Air (film 'The Only Girl')... Lillian Harvey (Soprano) with Orchestra.
Cara Mia (Sievier & Prisker); Old Bohemian Town (Marsden & Kennedy)... Alfredo & His Orchestra with Vocal Refrain.
Just Once For All Time (film 'The Congress Dances')... Lillian Harvey (Soprano) with Orchestra (In German).
Dancing Into Heaven With You (film

'Die sieben Ohrfeigen')... Lillian Harvey & Willy Eritsch with Orchestra (Sung in German).
Wedding Dance Waltz (Lincke); Magyar Melodies (Vilmos, arr. Piercy)... Alfredo & His Orch.
2.15 p.m.—Close down.
6 p.m.—Studio—For The Children.
6.45 p.m.—London Relay—Music-Hall, including George Doonan (The Life and Soul of the Party) with The B.B.C. Variety Orchestra conducted by Charles Shadwell. Presented by John Sharman.
7.45 p.m.—Closing Local Stock Quotations.
7.47 p.m.—Excerpts from Gilbert and Sullivan.
"The Mikado"
Behold The Lord High Executioner; As Some Day It May Happen... Henry A. Lytton & Chorus of Men.
Comes A Train of Little Ladies... Chorus of Girls.
Three Little Maids... E. Griffin.
D. Hemingway, B. Elburn & Chorus of Girls.
"The Gondoliers"
Then, Let's Away... Derek Oldham, George Baker, Winifred Lawson, Aileen Davies.
Then Away They Go To An Island Fair... Derek Oldham, Winifred Lawson, Aileen Davies, George Baker & Chorus.

8 p.m.—Local Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.
8.03 p.m.—Light Orchestral Concert with Joseph Schmidt & Eva Turner. Napoli—Tarantelle (Mezzacapo)... Orchestre Napolitain.
Love's Longing (film 'The world belongs to the young'); The World Belongs To The Young!—Waltz Song (from the film)... Joseph Schmidt (Tenor) with Orchestra (Sung in German).
Vesuviana — Tarantelle (Marchetti)... Orchestre Napolitain.
O Lovely Night (Sir Landon Ronald); Good-Bye (Tosti)... Eva Turner (Soprano) with Orchestra.
Souvenir De Pausilippe — Serenade Napolitaine (Andolfi)... Orchestre Napolitain.
8.25 p.m.—London Relay—'Books'—2.
A weekly series of talks by The

Right Hon. The Earl of Lytton, K.G., G.C.S.I., G.C.I.E.
8.40 p.m.—Folk Dance Music.
Flemish Dance; Djatchko Kolo (Serbian)... Folk Dance Orchestra cond. by Victor Olaf.
A Sword Dance Suite (Cecil Sharp, arr. Arnold Foster)... Folk Dance Orchestra cond. by Arnold Foster.
The Tempest (arr. Vaughan Williams); Thady You Gander (arr. Arnold Foster)... Folk Dance Band cond. by Ronnie Munro.
8.55 p.m.—Studio—Concert by Harry Ore (Piano), Sitson Ma (Violin) and Miss Si Kui Ma (Piano).
1. Sonata for Violin and Piano in A, Op. 100 (Brahms): (a) Allegro amabile; (b) Andante tranquillo—Vivece; (c) Allegretto grazioso... Sitson Ma (Violin) and Harry Ore (Piano).
2. Caprice de l'op. "Alceste" (Gluck—arr. Saint-Saens)... Miss Si Kui Ma (Piano).
3. Chiffre Canzonetta (Sitson Ma)... Sitson Ma (Violin).

9.30 p.m.—London—The News.
9.50 p.m.—Faure—Elegie, Op. 24. Serge Koussevitzky and the Boston Symphony Orchestra with Jean Badetti (Cello).
10 p.m.—London Relay—'In Town To-night'. Edited and produced by C. F. Meehan.
10.30 p.m.—Dance Music.
Fox-Trots—Reckless Night On Board An Ocean Liner; The Popcorn Man... Ray Vantura & His Collegians with Vocal Chorus.
Waltz—Little Anne; Intermezzo—Who Cares?... Jungherr's Accordion Melodians.
Fox-Trots—You've Gotta Take Your Pick And Swing (film 'Let's make a night of it'); When My Heart Says Sing (film 'Let's make a night of it')... Ronnie Munro & His Orchestra with Vocal Refrain.
Waltz—Dearest Love (from 'Operette')—Noel Coward; Quickstep—In The Still Of The Night (film 'Rosalie')—Cole Porter... Victor Silvester & His Ballroom Orchestra.
Fox-Trots—Souvenir Of Love (film 'Sailing along'); Trusting My Luck (film 'Sailing along')... Roy Fox & His Orchestra with Vocal Refrain by Denny Dennis.
11 p.m.—Close down.



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♠ Q x x
♥ x
♦ A x x x x
♣ x x x x

The bidding went:

Burnstone Schenken You Maier
1♠ Pass (?)

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QUESTION NO. 16

Both sides are vulnerable. Howard Schenken deals and bids one diamond. You are second hand and hold:

♠ A K x x
♥ A x x x
♦ Q x
♣ Q x x

What do you bid? (Answer to-morrow).

TO-DAY'S HAND

South, Dealer

Neither side vulnerable

♠ A 9 8 5 2
♥ K 7 3
♦ 10 8 4
♣ 6
♠ K Q
♥ Q J 10 9
♦ J 3
♣ Q 10 5
4 2

♠ J 10 7 3
♥ 8 6 4
♦ 9 5 2
♣ K J 7

♠ 4
♥ A 5 2
♦ A K Q 7 6
♣ A 9 8 3
Mr. von Zedtwitz

The bidding:

South	West	North	East
1♠	Pass	1♠	Pass
2♠	Pass	3♠	Pass
3NT	Pass	5♠	Pass
6♠	Pass	Pass	Pass

A choice of plays confronted Waldemar von Zedtwitz on this Slam hand, which occurred in the team-of-four event of the recently completed Cleveland tournament. If the adversely held spades were evenly divided, he could establish dummy's long suit and discard all his losers. But since this called for a perfect break both in spades and trumps, Mr. von Zedtwitz decided instead to try to ruff his losing clubs in dummy.

The Queen of hearts opening was won by dummy's King. Next Declarer cashed the Ace of clubs, ruffed a club in dummy, entered his hand with the Ace of hearts and ruffed a second club. Now the Ace of spades was played and a small spade ruffed. Declarer's last club was played and trumped with the diamond ten and, while East was out of clubs, he was unable to overtrump. Rather than attempt to ruff another spade, Mr. von Zedtwitz now led a heart from dummy, throwing West on lead. The defence could win no more tricks, but it was fortunate that Mr. von Zedtwitz chose his method of playing for his contract rather than the alternative.

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The Register of Shares of the Corporation will be closed from MONDAY, the 13th. February to SATURDAY, the 25th. February, 1939, (both days inclusive) during which period no transfer of shares can be registered.

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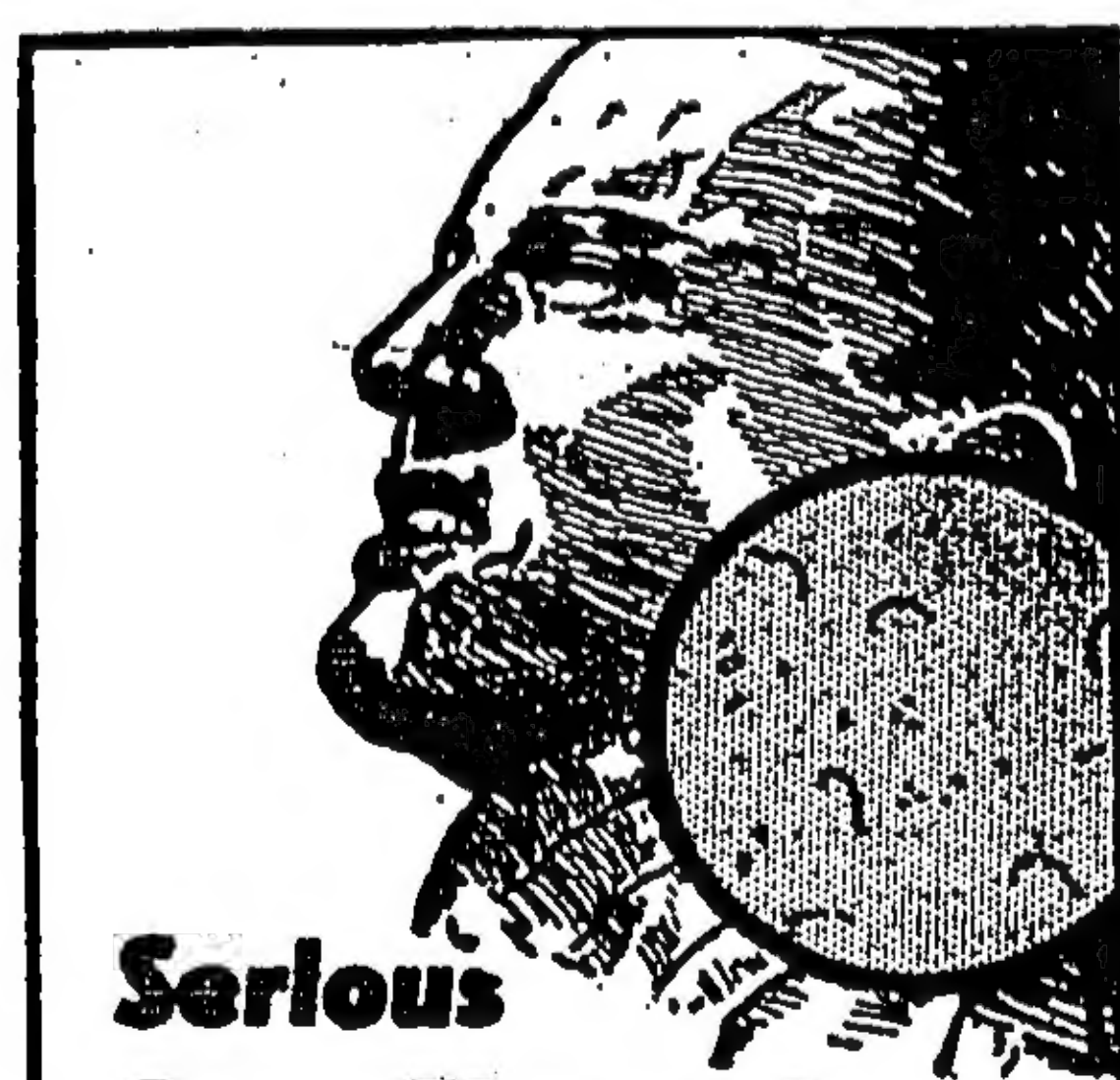
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The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from SATURDAY, 4th. February to THURSDAY, 16th. February, both days inclusive.

JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON,
General Managers.
Hong Kong, 24th Jan., 1939.

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE FORTY-FIRST ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING OF THIS COMPANY will be held at the Office of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd. on FRIDAY, the 24th. February, 1939, at 11.30 a.m. for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st. December, 1938.

The Register of Shares of the Company will be CLOSED from FRIDAY, the 17th. February, 1939, to FRIDAY, the 24th. February, 1939, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

C. M. MANNERS,
Secretary.

Hong Kong, 30th. January, 1939.

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The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be closed from the 25th. February to 7th. March, 1939, both days inclusive.

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Order of the Board,

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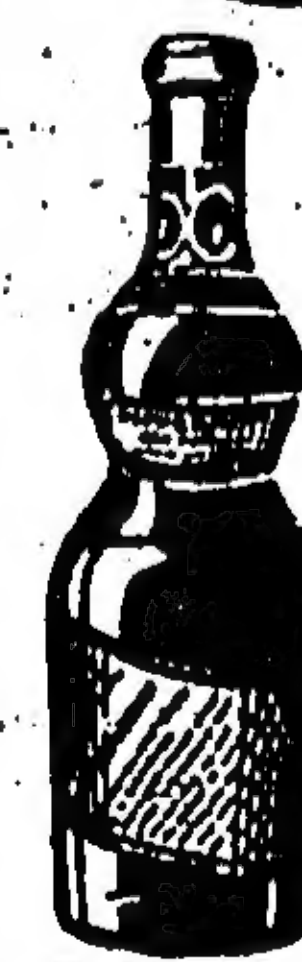
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AZANA SEEKING SPANISH ARMISTICE?

Perpignan, To-day.

The Republican President, Azana, has become the central figure of a multitude of unconfirmed rumours.

In the absence of official information on the whereabouts of Senor Azana, some sources declare that he is in Toulouse for important political conferences.

According to other reports, Azana is staying near the Catalan frontier in Boulou awaiting an emissary from General Franco to discuss terms of armistice.

The only concrete news available about the Republican President, is the session of the Republican Cabinet in Figueras on Saturday when Azana was commissioned to negotiate with France regarding the future of the Spanish fugitives in France. — Trans-Ocean.

FIGHTING RAGING ON CZECH FRONTIER

Budapest, To-day.

Czech troops and Hungarian frontier guards have been fighting for the past twenty-four hours round the frontier village of Gereny.

The battle is still continuing. — Reuter.

Budapest, To-day.

The Hungarians engaged in the frontier clash are ensconced in Gereny, while the Czech fire allegedly comes from a concealed position in the mountains.

The Hungarian military commander in the district has protested at "the provocative Czech action" and a Czech communique states that 25 heavily-armed Hungarian "terrorists" approached the frontier and started firing five heavy machine-guns.

The "terrorists" were covered by Hungarian troops. Fighting was continuing yesterday evening.

Reuter learns from military sources that Hungarian and Czech liaison officers agreed to meet to-day for an investigation of the incident. — Reuter.

HOUSE RANSACKED

A 26-year-old married woman, residing at No. 4, East Street, ground floor, has informed the Police that at about 9.50 a.m. this

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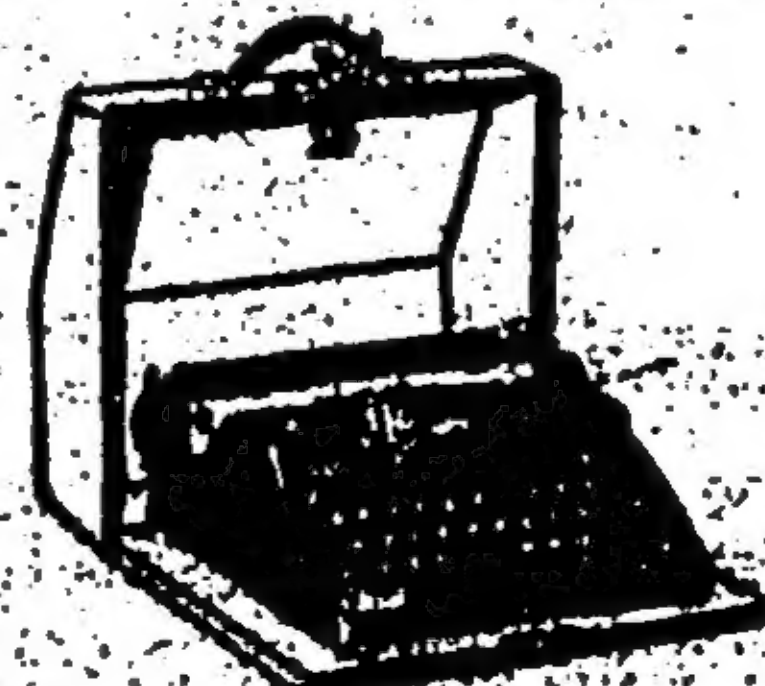
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